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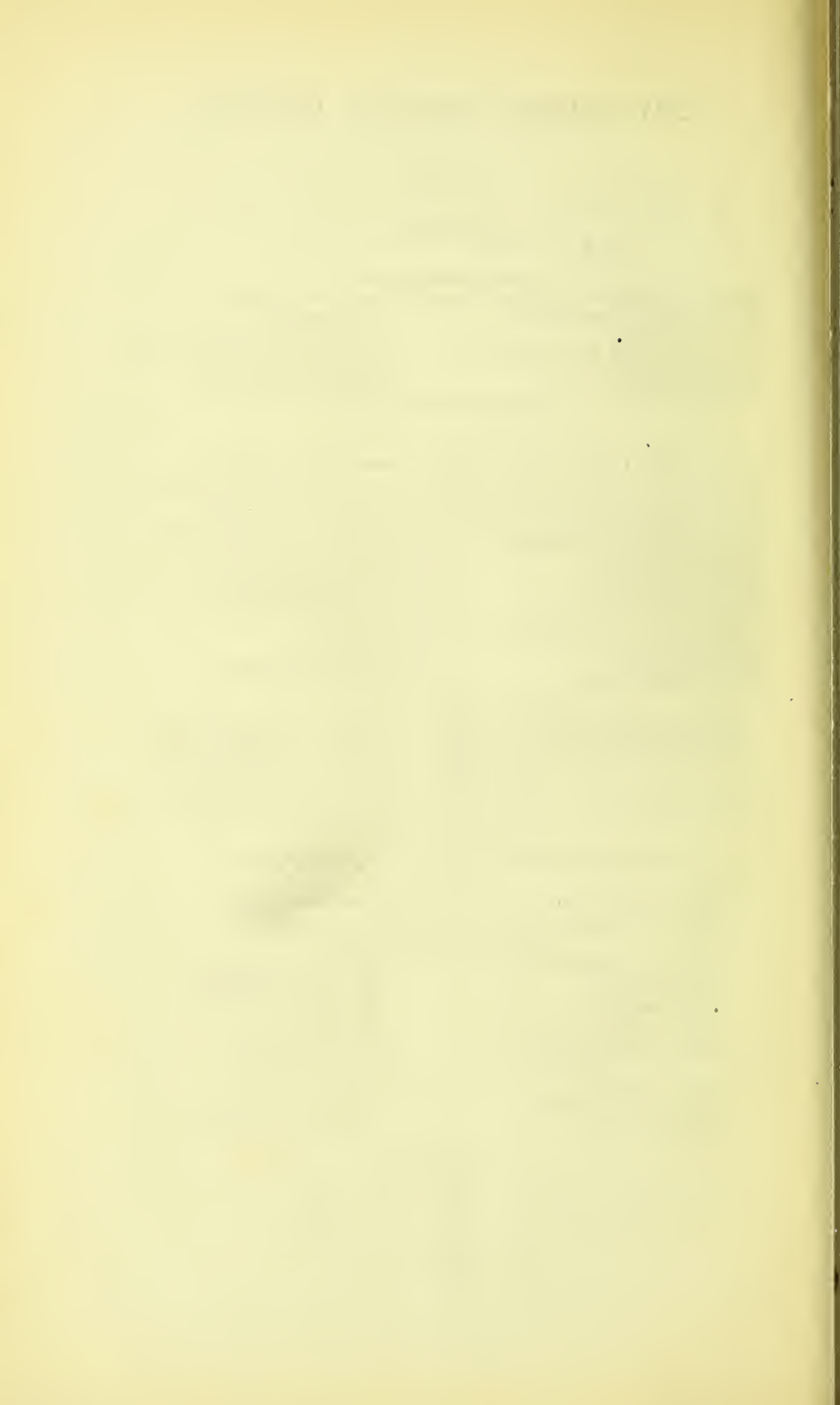
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ATTENDANCE OF THE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT, 1878.

12 Ordinary and 12 Special Meetings.

	<i>Ordinary.</i>		<i>Special.</i>		<i>Total.</i>
W. H. Robertson (Chairman)	9	....	11	....	20
W. P. Shipton	7	....	8	....	15
R. R. Duke	12	....	10	....	22
R. Bennet	0	....	2	....	2
J. W. Taylor	6	....	7	....	13
F. Turner	9	....	9	....	18
F. K. Dickson	4	....	3	....	7
G. F. Barnard	3	....	6	....	9
W. H. Flint	2	....	3	....	5
I. Walton	11	....		....	19
A. A. Bagshawe	4	....	7	....	11
G. Robertson	3	....	4	....	7
H. A. Hubbersty	1	....	1	....	2
J. G. H. Stamper	6	....	5	....	11
H. Shaw	4	....	2	....	6
P. Le Gros	11	....		....	18
J. Taylor	10	....	9	....	19
E. C. Milligan	11	....	6	....	17
W. Malam	9	....	10	....	19

ATTENDANCE OF HOUSE COMMITTEE, 1878.

21 Meetings.

The Chairman	17	I. Walton	17
J. W. Taylor	6	P. Le Gros	12
R. R. Duke	21	F. K. Dickson	5

PREFACE.

The Buxton mineral water is discharged from several openings in very large quantities, at the temperature of 82 degrees, Farenheit. It is charged with nitrogen gas in, probably, a larger degree than any other mineral water; being estimated by Dr. Lyon Playfair to contain at the moment of issue no less than 206 cubic inches of nitrogen gas per gallon; and by Dr. Sheridan Muspratt, the more recent analyst, to contain no less than 504 cubic inches per gallon. This gas is presented in water, which has, otherwise, alkaline, earthy, and saline properties; and is remarkably detergent and softening to the skin when used as a bath; while it is free from odour or disagreeable taste, is clear and bright in its appearance, and of a singularly beautiful faintly blue colour.

The medicinal action of the water, whether used as baths, or drank, has been from time immemorial known to be great in relieving or curing all conditions of a rheumatic or gouty character. It is stated by Dr. Jones, so long ago as the year 1572, that it was then used for the relief of the same ailments as it is at the present time.

Dr. Jones says that in his time, Buxton was much resorted to by poor afflicted persons; and towards the end of the sixteenth century this was considered to be so serious an injury by the inhabitants of the adjoining chapelry of Fairfield, as to render them unable to provide funds for the maintenance of their chaplain, by reason of the urgent and continued claims of the many poor sufferers resorting to the Buxton Baths, as set forth in a petition on this matter addressed by them to Queen Elizabeth. These poor persons had been from time immemorial so far aided, as to have had gratuitous baths of the mineral water provided for them; and there seems to have been a fund called the "Treasury of the Bath," by which their pecuniary necessities were more or less ministered to. Dr. Jones writes, in reference to this fund, what may be quoted in this place: "If any think this magisterial imposing on people's pockets, let them consider their abilities and the sick poor's necessities, and think whether they do not in idle pastimes throw away in vain twice as much yearly; it may entail the blessings of them who are ready to perish upon you, and will afford a pleasant after-reflection. God has given you physic for nothing; let the poor and afflicted (it may be members of Christ) have a little of your money,—it may be the better for your own health: Heaven might have put them in your room and you in theirs; then a supply would have been acceptable to you."

Beyond this somewhat vague earlier history, there is no record of the Buxton Bath Charity until the year 1785, of which date there is extant at the Hospital, a document (vide page 25), apparently an annual report of the Institution, from which time the use of the baths and waters and pecuniary aid had been regularly given to the poor patients until the year 1859, when the Devonshire Hospital was provided for the reception of the patients.

It has been gathered from the annual reports that in the eighteen years from 1820, 14,906 patients were admitted to the benefits of the Charity, of which number 12,608 were discharged as cured or much relieved.

In the twenty following years, from 1838 to 1858, 23,319 patients were admitted; and of these, 16,575 were cured or much relieved; 5,859 were relieved in some degree; and 885 were no better at the time of discharge.

The Devonshire Hospital was opened for the reception of the patients of the Charity in the year 1859. It is the successful result of the conversion of a very extensive range of building, erected and used as stables since the commencement of the present century. The structure, which is of important and substantial character, surrounds a parterre of considerable extent, and contains a colonnade of handsome proportions, is situated on a commanding eminence, presenting views of the town and valley of Buxton, and is near to the baths, the railway stations, and the principal buildings.

From the year 1820, then, to the beginning of September, 1858, when the Hospital was opened, or in 38 years, the Institution had received 38,225 patients; of which number 35,042 were beneficially treated, and 2,183 were very partially if at all relieved. During those 38 years the Buxton Bath Charity received, on an average, upwards of 1,000 patients every year, and afforded cure or marked relief to 922 of that number. To a very large proportion of this important number of poor sufferers, chiefly from chronic rheumatism, the Charity gave a weekly allowance of 6s. during their stay in Buxton, in addition to all other benefits; until the funds became so seriously impaired that the weekly money allowance was necessarily reduced to 5s., at which sum it remained until the opening of the Hospital. From the time of reducing the weekly money allowance, the pecuniary prosperity of the Buxton Bath Charity may be dated. The funds accumulated year by year, until the time of rebuilding the Buxton baths on the part of the Duke of Devonshire, when a capital of nearly £3,000 had been gathered together by the scrupulous management of the Trustees. The names may be mentioned, first and particularly, of the late Bishop Spencer, at one time trustee, and incumbent of Buxton, and more recently one of the Vice-Presidents of the Hospital; of Mr. Heacock, and Mr. Smithers, its successive Treasurers; and of Sir Charles Scudamore, Mr. Page, Mr. Cumming, Dr. Carstairs, and the Rev. R. P. Hull Brown,—as being no longer alive to witness and take part in the present development of the Charity; and also in order of seniority as to connection with the Institution, of Dr. Robertson, and of the Hon. and Rev. F. R. Grey, as still living to rejoice in the well-doing of the Buxton Charity and its Hospital. Of these £3,000, £500 was judiciously expended on the rebuilding of the Charity Natural Baths; the large remaining sum which those baths cost, and the whole cost of the Hot Baths of the Charity, having been paid by the munificence of the late Duke of Devonshire. Again in 1853-4, when the proposal of an hospital to receive the patients of the Institution was brought before the public by Mr. Smithers and the other Trustees, the sum of £1,000 from the accumulated fund was given towards the Hospital; leaving a residue of £1,500 consols, which sum remains thus invested. (See Estate Account.)

The history and doings of the Buxton Bath Charity have thus been summarily brought down to the time of forming the Hospital, the expenses of which were defrayed by the individual and collective liberality of the Trustees; by special subscriptions from the public; by the proceeds of a bazaar, that was bountifully supplied and supported, &c.—a total sum of £6,000 having been thus got together, and expended on the conversion of this valuable building to hospital purposes. This conversion with its anxious details and successful results, was mainly due to the untiring exertions of the late Mr. Wilmot, aided by the architectural skill of Mr. H. Currey, and the liberal consideration of the late Duke of Devonshire.

It forms an interesting episode in this history, that, in the winter of 1862-3, during what will be long remembered as the Cotton Famine, a special fund was obtained, chiefly by the exertions of the late Mr. Wilmot, and 100 young women, under 30 years of age, selected by the Relief Committees of their respective towns, as being most likely to be benefited by the change of air and the comforts of the Hospital, were received, and taken care of, as to food, and as to medicines, and restored to their homes in the subsequent spring, with renovated health and strength, and full of gratitude for what they had received. The balance of the subscriptions, amounting with interest, to £256, was invested as a separate fund for ever, to enable poor female operatives from factory towns to be received into the Hospital.

A very important circumstance in the history of the Hospital is that the grounds in front of it have been, with much kind consideration, made over to the Institution, on the part of the Duke of Devonshire, maintaining the detached position of the building, enhancing its appearance, and adding to the out-door advantages of the patients.

The building is the property of his Grace the Duke of Devonshire; and the conversion of it to the use of the Hospital for ever, on the payment of the rent of £5 yearly, was benevolently granted by the late Duke of Devonshire, as testified on the stone over the principal entrance, on which is inscribed: "The last munificent Charity of William Spencer, 6th Duke of Devonshire, K.G., who allowed these buildings to be converted to the use of the sick poor, January, A.D. 1858." A considerable sum of money that had been collected for the construction of the Hospital was expended upon the work. The walls and roof of the structure were fortunately found to be in good preservation; the interior was entirely removed and re-arranged; the sub-soil carefully taken away; and about two-thirds of the building occupied for the purposes of the Hospital, by a chaplain's house, a dispensary, and dispenser's apartments, a house for the master and matron, kitchen, day-rooms, dining-hall, and spacious dormitories affording separate beds for 120 patients, in addition to the beds provided for cases of accident, and in addition to the rooms required for the servants of the establishment.

During the year 1868, a legal Conveyance of the buildings and grounds of the Hospital was given to the Trustees by the present Duke of Devonshire, at the nominal rent of five shillings yearly, on the condition that they shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the Charity. A copy of this Conveyance is appended at page 17.

During the year 1872, the duties of Chaplain to the Hospital were kindly undertaken by the Vicar of Buxton, and the Chaplain's House was converted to the general purposes of the Hospital; the number of beds for patients was raised to 150; and better accommodation afforded to the Out-patients, Dispensary, &c.

During the twenty years since the Hospital was opened, there have been 26,106 patients under treatment, of which number 22,690 have been treated beneficially; and 2,971, or about one-eighth of the whole, were not suffering from any of the forms of rheumatism, but were such cases as are ordinarily met with in hospitals. On the average of the twenty years, the patients remained under treatment 24.16 days; and 23,135 cases of rheumatism, embracing every conceivable variety of this obstinate disease, were thus extensively relieved by the remedial agency of the Buxton mineral waters.

The last great circumstance in the history of the Hospital is the contemplated extension to the whole of the building, subject to a kind concession by the Duke of Devonshire, on the reasonable condition of providing stabling accommodation elsewhere, at a maximum charge to the funds of the Hospital of £5,000. It will be observed in the accounts that the purchase from the Duke of Devonshire has been completed (a copy of the conveyance is appended at page 19), the whole of the other cost being discharged by the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund.

This prefatory account has seemed to be needful for the information of those not already acquainted with the nature and merits of this Institution.

W. H. R.

ANALYSES OF THE BUXTON WATERS.

Dr. Lyon Playfair's Analysis.

1852.

	<i>Gallon.</i>
Silica	0.668
Oxide of iron and alumina	0.240
Carbonate of lime	7.773
Sulphate of lime	2.323
Carbonate of magnesia	4.543
Chloride of magnesium	0.114
Chloride of sodium	2.420
Chloride of potassium	2.500
Fluorine (as fluoride of calcium)	trace
Phosphoric acid (as phosphate of lime)	trace
	<u>20.579</u>

Cubic Inches.

Free carbonic acid	15.66
Nitrogen.....	206.60

Dr. Muspratt's Analysis.

1860.

	<i>Grains in the Imperial Gallon.</i>
Carbonate of lime.....	8.541
Carbonate of magnesia	3.741
Carbonate of protoxyde of iron	0.082
Sulphate of lime	0.331
Chloride of calcium	1.227
Chloride of magnesium.....	0.463
Chloride of sodium	2.405
Chloride of potassium.....	0.260
Silica	1.044
Nitric acid.....	trace
Organic matter.....	0.341
Fluoride of calcium	trace
Phosphate of lime	trace

Total per gallon..18.435

Cubic Inches.

Free Carbonic acid	3.5
Nitrogen.....	504.0

REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

FOR THE YEAR 1878.

The members of the Committee of Management are enabled to report, as usual, the great usefulness of the Hospital, and they necessarily do this with much thankfulness. The Hospital has been added to the means of usefulness of the Buxton Bath Charity during twenty years, affording board and lodging, and every desirable care and attendance, to a much larger number of in-patients than the total number of the patients of the older institution with which it was incorporated in the year 1859.

The number of in-patients admitted to the Hospital has been nearly trebled since the first and second years of its existence. The season of the year influences the pressure of applicants for admission. During the past year the total number of in-patients admitted has been 1575, being a decrease of 27 on the number received in 1877. This may be due to the great difficulty of reckoning the number of beds that will be vacant, owing to the uncertain number of patients whose stay may be prolonged. The difference is small in relation to the total number. These 1575 patients may be satisfactorily compared with the 622 admitted in 1859, or the 691 in 1860.

The beneficial result obtained by the large number of in-patients has been even of unusual importance. Of the 1575 in-patients 1459 were discharged as having been relieved, 55 as no better, 4 left without report, 22 were discharged at their own request, 5 had to be discharged for drunkenness, 5 died, and 25 remained on the books at the end of the year.

The number of out-patients admitted during the year was 214. The comparatively small number of the out-patients is owing to the value which attaches to the comforts and appliances of the Hospital. The out-patients consist chiefly of those who cannot obtain an in-patient's recommendation. At the same time it should be recognised that the out-patients include some exceptional cases of persons who are deservedly objects of charitable consideration, who may from their circumstances and antecedents not wish to be received into the Hospital, but are thankful to have gratuitously medical advice and medicines and the use of the Buxton baths and waters. Of the 214 out-patients 169 were discharged as relieved, 12 were no better, 30 left without report, and 3 remained on the books at the end of the year. The number of the out-patients who leave without report has always been matter of regret.

It had been long wished that some information could be obtained as to the amount of eventual benefit derived by the patients. During the last five years a form, printed on a postal card, has been given to every patient on leaving the Hospital, to be filled up and returned six weeks after discharge. Of these self-reported results 1307 have been received during the past year, and 944 are thus reported to have derived conclusive benefit, 357 to be no better, and 6 to have died, indicating at once the grave condition of many of the patients, and the large proportion of beneficial treatment.

The average number of patients daily resident in the Hospital throughout the year has been 104 and 22 decimals, and the average number of days in the Hospital per patient has been 24 and 16 decimals.

The large number of patients received, and the great amount of curative value obtained, are evidence that the subscribers endeavour to send the patients during the months of winter and early spring. But, even in the past year, the number of patients in the Hospital daily during January was only between 39 and 40, and during February a little more than 55, and during March between 72 and 73, and during April between 77 and 78, and during December only 43. During the remaining seven months the Hospital was practically full, or nearly so, and during four of these months was under such a pressure from applications for admission that patients have had to wait from three to eight weeks before a vacant bed could be secured.

It is a subject of much regret that the cost of every in-patient for the three weeks covered by the powers of recommendation has risen to the sum of £2 10s. 8½d., or may be stated as 2s. 5d. per day. This is the largest sum that has ever had to be recorded, and demands the most careful consideration. It is due mainly to the extra charges involved in the nursing department. These extra charges do not embrace merely the salary of the Lady Superintendent of Nurses, and the wages of the nurses and probationers, but the cost of extra services beyond the heretofore expenditure on the establishment, occasioned by the separate jurisdiction of the officials, the additional maintenance of officials, nurses, and servants, and additional extra diets—ordered through this department under medical sanction for the more ailing patients. This is the more to be regretted as the question of the cost of the patients has been a subject of enquiry on the part of the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund, and has been one reason of the delay to be hereafter mentioned as to the concession of the grant for the extension of the Hospital. The attention of all concerned in the management of the Hospital is being given to this question, and, while the beneficial treatment of the patients must be the first consideration, to which all else must be held to be secondary, endeavour will be made to economize the details of the respective employment of nurses and servants, so as to secure, as far as may be, the best results with the smallest justifiable outlay. It must at the same time be borne in mind that mere shelter and bare sustenance do not limit the work of the Hospital, that these absolute wants are obtainable at a much smaller sum, and that even this charge of 2s. 5d. per day is much below the ordinary amount of Hospital expenditure, as derived from the accounts of other institutions. It is admitted that, whereas the great majority of the patients are not confined to bed, and are not suffering from acute disease, nor even under what may be called more active forms of disease, but are chiefly suffering from chronic ailments, and are, in fact, such cases as should be almost exclusively sent to this Hospital, namely, those which are in a condition to use and derive benefit from the Buxton baths and waters, the more expensive items of Hospital outlay may not usually be necessary to the utmost relief that can be afforded, and that therefore the very large outlay involved in general hospitals is by no means necessary; but it must be recognised that many and perhaps a

majority of the patients, are received in a condition of debility from bodily suffering, and perhaps consequent narrow means, and that relief almost necessitates restorative food and medicines, and cannot be represented by what does not include such articles as are well and fully described as Hospital comforts.

Notwithstanding these larger elements of expenditure, and notwithstanding the effect of all the circumstances which have influenced disadvantageously the general interests of Buxton during the past year, such as the widely-spread depression of trade, and the effect of the Paris Exhibition in taking people abroad and within the attractions of the Continental watering places, thus rendered so much more accessible, the financial position of the Hospital has been maintained. The receipts from annual subscriptions and casual subscriptions, and extra time for in-patients and for extra out-patients, have severally been somewhat in excess of those of the previous year; the donations received at the Hospital have also been in excess; whereas there has been some decrease, as might well have been expected, in the receipts obtained through the hotels and lodging-houses of Buxton, and also a considerable decrease on the amount received from the offertories and collections in Churches and Chapels. The total receipts give an increase of £186 9s. 1d. On the other hand there has been an increased outlay on provisions of £204 19s. 4d., on baths expenses of £95 15s., and on salaries and wages of £94 1s. 7d.; and the general expenditure has only been kept within these limits by the low charge for bread, groceries, &c., and the lessened charge for coal and coke.

There have been no legacies received during the year. A donation of £100 has to be gratefully acknowledged from Bryce Smith, Esq., in accordance with the wish of the late Miss Bryce Smith; also a donation of £100 from the noble President of the Hospital; also of £100 from an anonymous benefactor; also of £100 from James Chadwick, Esq., for extensions; also of £21 from Mrs. Joshua Nicholson, for extensions; also of £20 from Miss Faithfull, as the proceeds of a lecture; and of donations in smaller sums; giving a total under this head amounting to £550 7s. 6d.

The total sum obtained from offertories and collections in Churches and Chapels during the year has amounted to £177 8s. 5d. Offertories have been only granted in the Buxton Churches on one Sunday during the year; and they have amounted to £134 1s. 1d. An effort has been again made, by the unanimous wish of the members of the Committee of Management, to obtain a united action in aid of the Hospital from all the Churches and Chapels of Buxton and its neighbourhood, on a given Sunday of the year. This wish has been readily and kindly responded to by the clergy and ministers of Buxton, Burbage, and Wormhill; and the Malvern House Church, the Wesleyan Chapels in Devonshire Park and Higher Buxton; and a donation has been received from the Trustees of the Congregational Church, Buxton. Collections have been kindly sent from five more distant churches, viz., Mansfield Woodhouse Church, Alfreton Church, New Mills Church, Bradborne Church, and Belvoir Castle Offertory; giving a total from these collections of £14 17s. The total collection from all Churches and Chapels in Buxton and elsewhere amounts, as before stated, to £177 8s. 5d. It must be a subject of reasonable regret that collections have not been obtained from any other Churches and Chapels. It is felt that much more might be expected to be received from these great sources of benevolent action, and especially when situated in the manufacturing centres of population, obtaining, as these towns and districts do, a very large proportion of the benefit derived from the operations of this Hospital.

Dr. F. K. Dickson has resigned his position as one of the Honorary Medical Officers of the Hospital, to the regret of his colleagues and of the other members of the Committee of Management. With a grateful sense of his past services to the Hospital he has been unanimously appointed to the position of Junior Consulting Physician.

Mr. Arthur Shipton, M.R.C.S. & L.S.A., has been unanimously elected an Honorary Medical Officer, to fill the vacancy thus created.

Mr. Sykes, who had acted as Honorary Meteorologist of the Hospital during the five years of his residence in the Hospital as Dispenser, kindly continues to fulfil these duties without payment.

It must be stated, as has already been mentioned in the quarterly reports from the Hospital, that the grant for the extension of the Hospital by the Governors of the Cotton Districts Convalescent Fund has been delayed by the great difference between the sum required by any of those who have tendered for the work and that estimated by the architects and granted by the Governors. The concession has been moreover delayed by the unwillingness of the Governors to abide by the stipulation, which is absolutely necessary to the stability of the Hospital, that the patients to be admitted under these powers shall be paid for whatever sum they may cost to the institution. It is trusted that the Governors of this important fund will become satisfied as to the value of the privilege they will obtain of doubling the powers of this Hospital to rheumatic sufferers among the labouring poor, and as to a prior claim on the additional beds to be created by their means, and as to helping to secure economical management by the admission of five of their number to the Governing body of the Hospital; and that they will graciously carry out the full intentions of the architects, so as to render the curative waters of Buxton as widely useful as possible, in a building which they will have rendered as perfect for its purposes as it can be made.

It will be noticed in the accounts that the sum of £4,500 has been paid during the past year upon the purchase of the remainder of the buildings, grounds, etc., for the proposed extension of the Hospital. To enable the Trustees to complete the purchase it has been found necessary to sell out a portion of the consols from the investments of the Hospital. The whole of the available balance from the Revenue Account, amounting to £327 9s. 5d., has also been expended on the Estate Account during the year, on the preliminary expenses of the proposed extensions, law charges for conveyancing, and the purchase of land for any needful future extension of the Hot Baths of the Charity. The Revenue Account has again been overdrawn, but the deficiency, which at the end of 1877 amounted to £471 19s. 4d., has been reduced during the past year to £38 9s. 9d.

Dr. Robertson has again been unanimously re-elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Committee of Management.

The Chairman is *ex officio* a member of the House Committee, and Mr. J. W. Taylor, Mr. R. R. Duke, Mr. I. Walton, Mr. P. Le Gros, and Dr. Dickson, have again been unanimously re-elected members of this Committee.

Mr. A. Schofield and Mr. S. Taylor have again been unanimously re-elected Auditors.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Clergymen and Ministers who have allowed sermons to be preached in their Churches and Chapels on behalf of the Hospital; and also to the Clergymen and Ministers who have preached the sermons.

The sermons preached on behalf of the Hospital in the Churches and Chapels of Buxton and the neighbourhood were by the Very Rev. the Dean of Lichfield, the Right Hon. and Rev. the Lord O'Neill, the Rev. J. J. Evans, M.A., the Rev. J. G. H. Stamper, the Rev. A. A. Bagshawe, M.A., the Rev. J. M. Pilter, the Rev. J. W. Blore, and Mr. G. E. Allen. The Dean of Lichfield preached on behalf of the Hospital in both St. John's and St. James' Churches, Buxton, and also, most kindly gave a short service and address to the patients in the Hospital on the afternoon of the same Sunday.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the proprietors of the hotels and lodging-houses of Buxton, and also to the presidents at the public dinner tables of the several hotels, to the managers and attendants, and to all who in any way have exerted themselves to obtain support for the Hospital. The powers of the Institution depend much on these exertions. The interests of Buxton are so greatly promoted by the prosperity and usefulness of the Hospital that the claims of the Institution are urged upon the inhabitants as being identical with the interests of the town.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Chairman and Members of the Buxton Local Board for permission to place conspicuously in the St. Ann's Well, a newspaper box in aid of the Hospital.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Chairman and Directors of the Buxton Palace Hotel Company for permission to place conspicuously in the entrance hall of the Hotel, a donation box in aid of the Hospital.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Chairman and Directors of the Buxton Improvements Company for permission to place conspicuously at the entrance to the Pavilion, a donation and newspaper box in aid of the Hospital.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the proprietors of the newspapers in which the quarterly reports, and weekly reports, and meteorological reports from the Hospital are inserted. In no way can the interests of the Charity be more effectually promoted.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the ladies and gentlemen who have acted as Visitors to the Hospital during the several months of the year. The value of such services may be obviously very important. It is hoped that it will be increasingly felt that these official visits should be frequent, and that the visits should not be of merely formal character, but that details should be enquired into, and any suggestions and remarks entered in a book for that purpose.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Members of the Medical Staff for their arduous and gratuitous services to the Hospital. Any adequate pecuniary compensation for these services must be always beyond the means of the Institution, and probably would not be received from the Charity if it could be offered. The duties of the Medical Staff become more onerous every year as the work of the Hospital increases and as the character of the cases becomes more severe, in consequence of the railway facilities; cases of aggravated character being now sent to the Hospital which could not have borne the fatigue of travelling otherwise than by railway. It is only right that the additional duty thus imposed upon the members of the Medical Staff should be gratefully acknowledged.

The thanks of the Committee are hereby tendered to the Honorary Chaplain, to the Treasurers, to the Auditors, to Mr. Sykes as Meteorologist, and to the various officials whether honorary or otherwise, who in their several capacities have served the Hospital during the year. The House Surgeon, the Lady Superintendent of Nurses, the Lady Housekeeper, and the Secretary, are hereby offered the thanks of the Committee of Management.

It will be noticed that the Annual Meeting of Subscribers is to be held on the first Saturday in April, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon. It is wished that the later period of the year may induce some of the subscribers, who reside at a distance from Buxton, to attend the meeting.

The Statement is submitted of the Revenue Account for the year ending December 31st, 1878, and also the Estate Account and General Balance Sheet; together with the annual statement of the Wilmot Relief Fund Account.

There is a nucleus for a Samaritan Fund kindly and chiefly contributed by Frederick Cooper, Esq. (Inspector General of Hospitals), aided by J. H. Challis, Esq., Miss Hall, Douglas Hebson, Esq., A. Hardwick, Esq., Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Garner, G. Walton, Esq., Dr. Sanderson, the Rev. T. France Hayhurst, F. Abernethy Burrows, Esq., J. J. Edgar, Esq., Mrs. Nesfield, the Rev. F. G. Hodgson, and the "King William IV." Lodge of Oddfellows, Chesterfield, intended for the relief of urgent cases of distress on being discharged from the Hospital, the interest of which is available at the discretion of the officials, under the authority of the House Committee. During the past year a portion of the small fund thus accruing has been utilised for the relief of urgent and necessitous cases. Contributions to this fund are earnestly solicited. The Statement of Account is submitted for the past year.

It is gratifying to state that Miss Emma Mitchell and Miss Marian Lucas have again sent a quantity of warm clothing, comforters, etc., for the patients; and that Mrs. Philips, Miss Trimmer, Mrs. Jesse Haworth, Mrs. Irton, Miss Ross, Mr. Milligan, Mr. J. Brown, "two Friends," Hessele, and various other ladies and gentlemen have sent books, illustrated newspapers, periodicals, etc., for the use of the patients; pictures and illuminated texts for hanging in the various wards of the Hospital; and that Mr. Duke has very kindly sent plants and flowers for the decoration of the wards.

At the Annual Meeting of the Trustees and Committee of Management held at the Hospital on January 4th, after the consideration and adoption of the Annual Report, it was resolved, that the thanks of the Trustees and Committee be given to the Chairman, Dr. Robertson, for the Report, and for his assiduous attention to the business of the Hospital.

Lists have been prepared and inserted, as usual, of the residences, and of the occupations and trades of the in-patients admitted during the year 1878. In this and other ways endeavours have been made to comply with wishes expressed from time to time in medical and other papers.

COPY OF LEGAL CONVEYANCE
OF THE
GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS OF THE DEVONSHIRE
HOSPITAL.

THIS INDENTURE, made on the 22nd day of June, 1868, between the Most Noble William, Duke of Devonshire, of the first part; and William Henry Robertson, of the Square, Buxton, in the county of Derby, M.D.; Reginald Darwin, of Fern, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; William Parker Shipton, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Samuel Turner, of Sylvan Park, Buxton, aforesaid, surveyor; John Milligan, of Winster Place, Buxton, aforesaid, draper; Robert Rippon Duke, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, surveyor; Robert Bennet, of Hardwick Street, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Thomas Dickson, of Wye House, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Robert Broome, of Burbage, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Marmaduke Walter Vavasour, of North Wood House, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Edward Levett Darwin, of the Park, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Joseph William Taylor, of Hardwick Terrace, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Frederick Turner, of the Quadrant, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Francis Kennedy Dickson, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; the Rev. Stephen Ray Eddy, of the Parsonage, Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; the Rev. Charles Smith, of the Parsonage, Fairfield, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; George Francis Barnard, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, wine and spirit merchant; William Henry Flint, of Terrace Road, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; and Isaac Walton, of the Bank, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; of the second part. Whereas the parties hereto of the second part are the Trustees of an Institution known as the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," instituted for the relief of poor persons from all parts of Great Britain and Ireland suffering from rheumatism, gout, and certain other specified diseases; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire is seized of the land and buildings hereinafter mentioned for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession; and whereas the said land and buildings have, for some time past, by the permission of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, been used by the said parties hereto of the second part (in their character of Trustees as aforesaid) as the Hospital of the said Institution; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, being desirous of benefitting the said Institution, has agreed to convey the said premises to the said parties hereto of the second part upon the Trusts hereinafter expressed. Now this INDENTURE witnesseth that, in consideration of the premises, He, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby grant and convey unto the said parties hereto of the second part, and their heirs, all that piece of land situate at Buxton, in the county of Derby, containing by estimation 2a. 2r. 2p., or thereabouts, and abutting and bounded as more particularly described in the plan drawn in the margin of these presents, and therein coloured pink; together with all buildings now standing and being thereon;

and together with all ways, easements, and appurtenances whatsoever, to the said piece of land belonging or appertaining; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim, and demand whatsoever, of Him, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, in to and out of the said premises and every part thereof; to have and to hold the said piece of land and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, yielding and paying unto the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs and assigns, the yearly nominal rent of Five Shillings, on the 29th day of September in every year. And it is hereby declared that the said parties hereto of the second part, or the survivor or survivors of them, or the heirs of such survivor, shall stand possessed of the premises hereby conveyed upon trust to permit the said premises to be used as the Hospital of the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity" and for no other purpose. And it is hereby declared that if the Trustees hereby constituted, or any or either of them, of any Trustee, or Trustees, appointed as hereinafter provided, shall die, or desire to be discharged, or refuse or become incapable to act, then, and in every such case, it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees for the time being, and for this purpose refusing or retiring Trustees shall, if willing to act in the exercise of this power, be considered continuing Trustees, or for the acting executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing Trustee, to appoint a new Trustee, or Trustees, in the place of the Trustee, or Trustees, so dying, or desiring to be discharged, or refusing, or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, and upon any such occasion, if it should be thought proper, the number of Trustees for the time being may be reduced, but so that the number of the surviving or continuing Trustee, or Trustees, with the new Trustees, shall not be less than five; and upon every such appointment the trust estate shall be so conveyed that the same may be vested in the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees, jointly with such new Trustee or Trustees, or in such new Trustee or Trustees, solely, as the case may require. Provided, nevertheless, that no person shall be appointed a Trustee under the preceding power who is not a member of the Committee of Management, for the time being, of the said Hospital. And this Indenture, also witnesseth, that the said parties hereto of the second part, do hereby, for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, covenant with the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, that they, the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, shall not nor will, without the previous consent in writing of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, erect or build upon the premises hereby granted or conveyed any house or building whatsoever other than those now standing and being thereon; and will keep the buildings now standing and being thereon in good repair, and will keep in a condition similar to the present, all such part of the said land as is now used for garden or pleasure grounds. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

(Signed,)

DEVONSHIRE.

W. H. ROBERTSON.

REGINALD DARWIN.

W. P. SHIPTON.

S. TURNER.

JOHN MILLIGAN.

R. R. DUKE.

ROBT. BENNET.

THOS. DICKSON.

ROBERT BROOME.

M. W. VAVASOUR.

EDWD. L. DARWIN.

J. W. TAYLOR.

FREDK. TURNER.

F. K. DICKSON.

S. R. EDDY.

CHARLES SMITH.

G. F. BARNARD.

W. H. FLINT.

ISAAC WALTON.

COPY OF LEGAL CONVEYANCE

OF THE

ADDITIONAL GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS OF THE DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL.

THIS INDENTURE, made the twenty-first day of March, 1878, between the Most Noble William, Duke of Devonshire, of the first part; and William Henry Robertson, of the Square, Buxton, in the county of Derby, M.D.; William Parker Shipton, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Robert Rippon Duke, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, architect and surveyor; Robert Bennet, of the Park, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Joseph William Taylor, of Hardwick Terrace, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Frederick Turner, of the Quadrant, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Francis Kennedy Dickson, of Wye House, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; the Rev. William Malam, of the Vicarage, Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; George Francis Barnard, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, wine and spirit merchant; William Henry Flint, of Terrace Road, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; Isaac Walton, of the Bank, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. Augustus Adam Bagshawe, of Wormhill Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; the Rev. Gordon Robertson, of Earl Sterndale Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Alfred Hubbersty, of Burbage, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. John Gregory Henry Stamper, of Burbage Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Constantine Renshaw, of Chapel-en-le-Frith, in the said county, Esq.; Henry Shaw, of Corbar Villa, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Philip Le Gros, of St. Ann's Hotel, Buxton, aforesaid, hotel keeper; Josiah Taylor, of Buxton, aforesaid, accountant; and Edward Chambers Milligan, of Buxton, aforesaid, draper; of the second part. Whereas the parties hereto of the second part are the Trustees of an Institution known as the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," instituted for the relief of poor persons from all parts of Great Britain and Ireland suffering from rheumatism, gout, and certain other specific diseases; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, is seized of the land and buildings hereinafter mentioned for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, has contracted with the said parties hereto of the second part for the sale to them of the land and buildings hereinafter described for the sum of £5,000. Now this INDENTURE witnesseth that, in pursuance of the said agreement, and in consideration of the sum of £5,000 sterling now paid by the said parties hereto of the second part to the said William, Duke of Devonshire, the receipt whereof is hereby by him acknowledged, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby grant and convey unto the said parties hereto of the second part, and their heirs, all that piece of land situate at Buxton, aforesaid, containing by estimation 3,065 superficial square yards, or thereabouts, and abutting and bounded as more particularly described in the plan drawn in the margin of these presents and therein coloured pink; together with the cottages, blacksmith's shop, stables and other buildings now standing and being thereon, and together with the right

or easement of using the road or passage bounding the land hereby conveyed in part on the north-west side thereof, as shewn on the said plan with the colour dark brown, at all times and for all purposes; and together with all ways, easements and appurtenances whatsoever to the said piece of land belonging or appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of him, the said William, Duke of Devonshire, into and out of the premises and every part thereof. To have and to hold the said piece of land and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, for ever; and it is hereby declared that the said parties hereto of the second part, or the survivors or survivor of them or the heirs of such survivor shall stand possessed of the premises hereby conveyed upon trust to permit the said premises to be used as part of the Hospital of the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity" and for no other purpose. And it is hereby declared that if the Trustees hereby constituted, or any or either of them or any Trustee or Trustees appointed as hereinafter provided shall die or desire to be discharged, or refuse or become incapable to act, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustees or Trustee for the time being, and for this purpose refusing or retiring Trustees shall if willing to act in the exercise of this power be considered continuing Trustees, or for the acting executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing Trustee to appoint a new Trustee or new Trustees in the place of the Trustee or Trustees so dying or desiring to be discharged, or refusing or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, and upon any such occasion if it should be thought proper the number of Trustees for the time being may be reduced, but so that the number of the surviving or continuing Trustees, together with the new Trustees, shall not be less than five, and upon every such appointment the trust estate shall be so conveyed that the same may be vested in the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees jointly with such new Trustee or Trustees or in such new Trustee or Trustees solely, as the case may require. Provided, nevertheless, that no person shall be appointed a Trustee under the preceding power who is not a member of the Committee of Management for the time being of the said Hospital. And the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs, and assigns, in manner following, that is to say, that for and notwithstanding any act, deed, matter, or thing whatsoever by him the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors made, executed, or permitted to the contrary, he the said William, Duke of Devonshire, now hath in himself good right by these presents to grant and convey the said hereditaments and premises hereby intended to be conveyed unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, in manner aforesaid. And that the said hereditaments and premises shall be peaceably and quietly held and enjoyed accordingly, without any interruption, denial, or disturbance of or by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any other person or persons whomsoever rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under, or in trust for him or any of his ancestors; and that free and clear, or otherwise, by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, and administrators well and sufficiently defended and indemnified of, from, and against all, and all manner of estates and incumbrances whatsoever made, done, or suffered by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors, or any other person or persons rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under, or in trust for him or them. And, further, that he the said William, Duke of Devonshire, and his heirs and all and every other person or persons having or rightfully claiming any estate or interest in or to the said hereditaments and premises from, through, under, or in trust for him or them or any of his ancestors shall and will at all times hereafter upon the reasonable request and at the cost of the said parties

hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, make, execute, and perfect all such further and other acts and assurances for the more effectually assuring the said hereditaments and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns in manner aforesaid as by the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, or their counsel in the law shall be devised and required. And this Indenture also witnesseth that the said parties hereto of the second part do hereby for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, covenant with the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, shall not nor will without the previous consent in writing of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, erect or build upon the premises hereby granted and conveyed any house or building whatsoever other than those now standing and being thereon, with such additions and extensions as are shewn upon the plan, which have been submitted to and approved by the Agent of the said Duke, and will from time to time and at all times hereafter keep the said buildings in good repair; and also that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter pay one half of the expense of maintaining and keeping in repair under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Architect or Agent for the time being of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, the said road or passage bounding the land hereby conveyed on the north-west side thereof for the full length of the frontage of the said land thereto. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

(Signed.)

DEVONSHIRE.

W. H. ROBERTSON.

R. R. DUKE.

FREDERICK TURNER.

F. K. DICKSON.

W. MALAM.

G. F. BARNARD.

ISAAC WALTON.

AUGUSTUS A. BAGSHAW.

GORDON ROBERTSON.

J. G. H. STAMPER.

HENRY SHAW.

PHILIP LE GROS.

JOSIAH TAYLOR.

E. C. MILLIGAN.

COPY OF THE LEGAL CONVEYANCE OF THE HOT BATHS
OF THE DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL.

THIS INDENTURE, made the 10th day of May, 1878, between the Most Noble William, Duke of Devonshire, of the first part; and William Henry Robertson, of the Square, Buxton, in the county of Derby, M.D.; William Parker Shipton, of the Square, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Robert Rippon Duke, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, architect and surveyor; Robert Bennet, of the Park, Buxton, aforesaid, M.D.; Joseph William Taylor, of Hardwick Terrace, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Frederick Turner, of the Quadrant, Buxton, aforesaid, surgeon; Francis Kennedy Dickson, of Wye House, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; the Rev. William Malam, of the Vicarage, Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; George Francis Barnard, of Spring Gardens, Buxton, aforesaid, wine and spirit merchant; William Henry Flint, of Terrace Road, Buxton, aforesaid, physician; Isaac Walton, of the Bank, Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. Augustus Adam Bagshawe, of Wormhill Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; the Rev. Gordon Robertson, of Earl Sterndale Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Alfred Hubbersty, of Burbage, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; the Rev. John Geoffrey Henry Stamper, of Burbage Vicarage, near Buxton, aforesaid, clerk; Henry Shaw, of Corbar Villa, near Buxton, aforesaid, Esq.; Philip Le Gros, of St. Ann's Hotel, Buxton, aforesaid, hotel keeper; Josiah Taylor, of Buxton, aforesaid, accountant; and Edward Chambers Milligan, of Buxton, aforesaid, draper; of the second part. Whereas the parties hereto of the second part are the Trustees of an Institution known as the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity," instituted for the relief of poor persons from all parts of Great Britain and Ireland suffering from rheumatism, gout, and other specific diseases; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, is seized of the land and buildings hereinafter mentioned for an estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession; and whereas the said William, Duke of Devonshire, being desirous of benefiting the said Institution, has agreed to convey the said premises to the said parties hereto of the second part upon the trusts hereinafter expressed in consideration of the sum of ninety-six pounds and of the annual sum hereinafter reserved. Now this INDENTURE witnesseth that, in pursuance of the said agreement, and in consideration of the sum of ninety-six pounds to the said William, Duke of Devonshire paid by the said Trustees at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof the said Duke doth hereby acknowledge; and also in consideration of the annual rent or sum of five shillings hereinafter reserved, he the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby grant and convey unto the said parties hereto of the second part and their heirs, all that piece of land situate at Buxton, in the county of Derby, containing by estimation 508 superficial square yards or thereabouts, and abutting and bounded as more particularly described in the plan drawn in the margin of these presents and therein coloured pink. Together with the bath and buildings now constructed therein and standing thereon; and together with all ways, easements and appurtenances whatsoever to the said piece of land belonging or appertaining; and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of him the said William, Duke of Devonshire in, to, out of the

premises and every part thereof. To have and to hold the said piece of land and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, yielding and paying unto the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs and assigns, the yearly nominal rent of five shillings on the 29th day of September in every year; and the said William, Duke of Devonshire, doth hereby for himself, his heirs, executors, and administrators covenant with the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns in manner following, that is to say that for and notwithstanding any act, deed, matter or thing whatsoever by him the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors made, executed or permitted to the contrary, he the said William, Duke of Devonshire, now hath in himself good right by these presents to grant and convey the said hereditaments and premises hereby intended to be conveyed unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns in manner aforesaid; and that the said hereditaments and premises shall be peaceably and quietly held and enjoyed accordingly without any interruption, denial or disturbance of or by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any other person or persons whomsoever rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under or in trust for him or any of his ancestors, and that free and clear or otherwise by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors and administrators well and sufficiently defended and indemnified of, from and against all and all manner of estates and encumbrances whatsoever made, done or suffered by the said William, Duke of Devonshire, or any of his ancestors or any other person or persons rightfully claiming or to claim by, from, through, under or in trust for him or them; and further, that he the said William, Duke of Devonshire, and his heirs and all and every other person and persons having or rightfully claiming any estate or interest in or to the said hereditaments and premises from, through, under or in trust for him or them or any of his ancestors shall and will at all times hereafter upon the reasonable request and at the costs of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns make, execute and perfect all such further and other acts and assurances for the more effectually assuring the said hereditaments and premises unto and to the use of the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, in manner aforesaid as by the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns, or their or his counsel in the law shall be desired or required; and it is hereby declared that the said parties hereto of the second part, or the survivors or survivor of them or the heirs of such survivor shall stand possessed of the premises hereby conveyed upon trust to permit the said premises to be used as the Hot Bath in connection with the Hospital of the "Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity" and for no other purpose; and it is hereby declared that if the Trustees hereby constituted or any or either of them or any Trustee or Trustees appointed as hereinafter provided shall die or desire to be discharged, or refuse or become incapable to act, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the surviving or continuing Trustees or Trustee for the time being and for this purpose refusing or retiring Trustees shall if willing to act in the exercise of this power be considered continuing Trustees or for the acting executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing Trustee to appoint a new Trustee or new Trustees in the place of the Trustee or Trustees so dying or desiring to be discharged or refusing or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid, and upon any such occasion if it should be thought proper the number of Trustees for the time being may be reduced, but so that the number of the surviving or continuing Trustees together with the now Trustees shall not be less than five; and upon every such appointment the trust estate shall be so conveyed that the same may be vested in the surviving or continuing Trustee or Trustees jointly with such new Trustee or Trustees or in such new Trustee or Trustees solely as the case may require. Provided, nevertheless, that no person shall be appointed a Trustee under the preceding

power who is not a member of the Committee of Management for the time being of the said Hospital. And this INDENTURE also witnesseth that the said parties hereto of the second part do hereby for themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns covenant with the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs or assigns shall not nor will without the previous consent in writing of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, erect or build upon the premises hereby granted and conveyed any house or building whatsoever other than those now standing and being thereon, and will keep the Bath and buildings now constructed therein and standing thereon in good repair; and also that they the said parties hereto of the second part, their heirs and assigns, shall and will for ever hereafter until the same shall be dedicated to and accepted by the Local Board of Buxton aforesaid or other public authorities maintain and keep in good repair and condition under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Architect or Agent for the time being of the said William, Duke of Devonshire, his heirs or assigns, the footpath and half of the width of the roadways bounding the land hereby conveyed on the west and south sides thereof for the full length of the frontages of the said land thereto. In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

(Signed.)

DEVONSHIRE.

WM. HY. ROBERTSON.

R. R. DUKE.

J. W. TAYLOR.

FREDERICK TURNER.

F. K. DICKSON.

WM. MALAM.

G. F. BARNARD.

I. WALTON.

A. A. BAGSHAW.

GORDON ROBERTSON.

H. A. HUBBERSTY.

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BUXTON BATH CHARITY, A.D. 1785.

COPY OF REPORT OF THE CHARITY
FOR THE YEAR 1785.

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BUXTON.

RESOLUTIONS by the Stewards of the several Houses at Buxton, on behalf of the Contributors to the Charitable Fund established here, for the better regulation of the Charity, made September 13th, 1785.

1st. As to the Contribution.

WHEREAS, at the commencement of this Charity, in the Year 1779, instituted for the purpose of rendering the Beneficence of the Noble Proprietor and his Ancesters (in setting apart a Bath for the Use of the Poor) more extensively beneficial; two Stewards were appointed in each House kept open for the Reception of Company to receive a Contribution of One Shilling only, from each Person residing in such Houses, for the Benefit of the Charity. And upon the Departure of one of the Stewards, the departing Steward hath nominated a Successor; and in order to ascertain the Sums contributed, the Stewards for the Time being, at each House, have kept a Subscription Book, in which the Contributors have respectively written their Names and the Sum of One Shilling opposite thereto; and as the Subscriptions have amounted to competent Sums, the Stewards have paid over the same to Mr. Samuel Buxton, Apothecary, in Buxton, as Treasurer, to be applied by him towards the Aid and Support of the Poor, whose Infirmities have caused them to come to Buxton for the Use of the Waters; for which Sums the said Mr. Buxton hath signed Receipts in the Subscription Books. Resolved that such practice be continued, and that no Person be permitted to subscribe a greater Sum than One Shilling in the Books; and that the Receipts of Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the time being, in the Subscription Books, be sufficient Discharges to the Stewards for what they receive.

Resolved, That it be recommended to future Stewards to hold an Audit on the 13th of September, yearly, to inspect the Accounts of Mr. Buxton, or of the Treasurer for the Time being, and to state Accounts of the preceding Year in like manner as the Accounts are this Day stated in the Subscription Book at the Hall. And it is declared, that the Allowance of a Duplicate of the Account by any two of the Stewards, under their hands, shall be a sufficient discharge to Mr. Buxton, and all future Treasurers.

Resolved, That all future contributors to the Charity do subscribe thereto upon the terms of these Resolutions.

2nd. As to the Admission of the Objects of this Charity.

Resolved, That no Inhabitant of Buxton, Fairfield, or of any place within Seven Miles Distance from Buxton, be admitted to partake of the Charity; nor any Person be relieved during the Months of November, December, January, February, March, or April; and that during the remaining Six Months of the Year, not more than Sixteen Objects, at one Time, be relieved by the Charity. And that no

Person shall be admitted on any other Day than Monday in every Week, between the Hours of eight and twelve in the Forenoon; on which Day, during such Hours, the weekly allowance to each Individual shall also be paid.

Resolved, That before the patient intending to take the benefit of the Charity be removed from where he or she dwells, Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, be applied to by Letter, Postpaid, signifying such Intention, mentioning the Patient's Name, Place of Abode, and Nature of the Disorder; and that no Person be admitted unless there be a vacancy in the Number of Sixteen, and unless he or she first produces to the Treasurer his own Letter written in answer to such Application, and also a Letter of Recommendation from some Lady or Gentleman, resident in the Neighbourhood, certifying whether the Patient is relieved by his or her Parish, or not, and if not, whether he or she is a proper Object, with Respect to Circumstances; and in case he or she is a Pauper, relieved by the Parish, then also a Certificate signed by the Churchwardens or Overseers of the Poor, that the Pauper's Settlement is in the Parish from which he or she is sent; and also a Certificate from a Physician or Apothecary, that the case is proper for the Buxton Waters.

Resolved, That the Names and Places of Abode of the Objects admitted, be entered by Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, in a Book (of which Book each Contributor is to have free Inspection), with a Description of the Patient's Disorder; and after his or her Discharge a Minute of the Consequence of the Use of the Waters.

3rd. As to the Application of the Charity Fund.

It being the Intention of the Contributors, that the Money arising from the Contributions, be in every Case applied for the purposes of supplying the Patients during their Stay at Buxton, with Board, Lodging, and Medicines only; all Ladies and Gentlemen recommending Patients, and all Churchwardens and Overseers giving Certificates, are therefore particularly desired to take notice, that in Case the Patients shall be admitted to partake of the Charity, and shall die in the Parishes of Buxton and Fairfield, or in any place within Seven Miles' distance from Buxton, before he or she shall have actually returned to his or her own Parish, such Persons recommending, and such Churchwardens and Overseers certifying, shall be liable to pay the Expenses of the Funeral of such Patients respectively; and that the Charity Money, on no Account whatever, will be suffered to be applied to defray Travelling Expenses, either to or from Buxton.

Resolved, That no Patient be admitted more than once during a Season, nor be relieved, by the Charity, for a longer space of time than Five Weeks, from the Date of his or her Admission, nor with a greater Sum than Six Shillings each Week. But for how long a Time he or she shall be relieved less than five Weeks, or what allowance shall be made him or her less than Six Shillings per Week, shall be at the discretion of Mr. Buxton, or of the Treasurer for the Time being, taking the advice of the resident Physician, or Physicians, on the Case, who it is hoped, will kindly consent to give gratuitous Assistance, when necessary.

Resolved, That Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, be at liberty to retain all his necessary Expenses, occasioned by the Administration of the Charity, over and above what shall be expended in Board, Lodging, and Medicines,

Resolved, That if any Object receiving the Benefit of this Charity, shall beg or receive Alms, during his or her stay at Buxton, or be guilty of prophane Swearing Drunkenness, Impertinence, or any gross misbehaviour, he or she shall be instantly (on complaint made) discharged from the Charity.

Ordered, That these Resolutions be printed, and hung up in as public a manner as possible, in the several Houses in Buxton kept open for the Reception of Company, and wherever Contributions are received; and that the said Resolutions be sent by Mr. Buxton, or the Treasurer for the Time being, to every Person recommending a Patient, as a proper Object to partake of the Benefit of this Charity.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Title.

1.—THIS Institution shall be known and distinguished by the name of THE DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL AND BUXTON BATH CHARITY.

Trustees.

2.—The property belonging to this Institution shall be vested in the Trustees for the time being.

3.—The number of Trustees shall not exceed nineteen, and any deficiency in this number shall be filled up by the Trustees from the members of the Committee of Management from time to time, as may seem to be expedient, according to seniority, care being taken that the number of the Trustees shall not be less than five, in accordance with the Deeds of Conveyance of the Hospital to the Trustees by His Grace the Duke of Devonshire.

4.—The Trustees shall meet at such time as they may find it expedient, upon the requisition of five of their number to the Chairman, at seven days' notice thereof.

Committee of Management.

5.—The power of making and repealing rules for the government of the Institution shall be vested in the Committee of Management for the time being.

6.—The Committee of Management shall consist of twenty members. The Vicar of Buxton and the Honorary Medical Officers shall be members *ex-officio*. The other members of the Committee shall be nominated from the Life and Yearly Subscribers who reside within the radius of six miles from Buxton.

7.—No new rule shall be made, or existing rule altered, without three months' notice being previously given; and all such alterations and additions shall be made at a special meeting called for that purpose, of which meeting the Committee of Management shall have, farther, two weeks' notice beforehand.

8.—The Committee of Management shall select from the list of subscribers and benefactors, persons of eminent rank, or who may have been distinguished by their contributions or services, to hold the honorary positions of Patron, President, and Vice-Presidents.

General and Special Meetings of the Committee of Management.

9.—The Committee of Management shall have full power to manage and conduct the Institution; but no member of the Committee shall be entitled to vote on, or be present at the discussion upon, any question in which he is *personally* or *pecuniarily* interested; nor shall voting by proxy be allowed.

10.—Voting by ballot shall be adopted, and the proposer of a motion may have the option of taking the votes in this way.

11.—Should the number of members of the Committee of Management fall below seventeen, they shall proceed to elect a new member or members at the next meeting, notice having previously been given that a vacancy has occurred.

12.—Any member of the Committee of Management being absent from the meetings for six months continuously, shall be disqualified to act, unless he shall have communicated, in writing, a sufficient reason for such absence to the Secretary before the expiration of the six months.

13.—The Committee of Management shall meet on the first Saturday of each month, at such place and at such hour as they may appoint, for the transaction of business: four forming a quorum. The order of business shall be as follows:—The reading and approving of the minutes of the previous meetings; the appointment of the honorary visitors; the examination of the visitors', chaplain's, and other books; the reception of the report of the House Committee; the passing and signing cheques for all payments due; and the transaction of any other business that may come before them. No member of the Committee of Management shall bring forward any motion or resolution unless he is provided with a seconder.

14.—The Annual Meeting of the Committee of Management shall take place on the first Saturday in January, when they shall elect from their number a Chairman and a Treasurer for the year ensuing: and also a House Committee, which shall consist of the Chairman, and five other members; and may fill up any existing vacancies in the Committee of Management, which can only be done at this meeting, unless the number of members fall below seventeen. Names of candidates for the office of member of the Committee of Management to be publicly announced at an ordinary meeting at least a month previously. The Chairman shall retain his seat as Chairman until the Annual Meeting of Subscribers in each year. The same rule to apply to the Treasurer and House Committee.

15.—They shall also hold an Annual Meeting of the Subscribers at such time and place as the Committee of Management may appoint, when the Annual Reports of the Committee of Management, and Treasurer, for the past year shall be received.

16.—The proceedings of the Committee of Management at their Monthly Meetings may be reported in the local papers.

House Committee.

17.—The House Committee shall meet at the Hospital once every month, or oftener if necessary, at such hour as they may appoint.

18.—They shall examine the books of admissions and discharges, and all other books kept by the Officials.

19.—They shall investigate any complaints of neglect or misconduct of any one connected with the Hospital.

20.—The register of attendance of the Medical Officers and the Chaplain shall be laid upon the table, and the remarks of the House Visitors' books read.

21.—They shall prepare a statement of, and examine and sign all such accounts as may require to be laid before the next monthly meeting of the Committee of Management for payment.

22.—They shall present at the monthly meeting all contracts for the supply of provisions and coals required for the use of the Hospital.

23.—They shall superintend all alterations, or improvements, the care of the grounds, and the conservation of the Hospital.

24.—They shall examine, from time to time, the inventories of household goods, furniture, linen, &c., belonging to the Institution.

25.—They shall replace and renew from time to time, as circumstances may require, all such internal fittings and furniture of the Hospital as may urgently require renewal; and make the contracts for these and all other ordinary domestic purposes; and shall expend, should it seem to them expedient to do so, any sum not exceeding £10 in any one month for the general purposes of the Hospital.

Treasurer.

26.—The Treasurer shall receive all moneys and deposit them in such bank as the Committee of Management shall direct.

27.—He shall cause all moneys received on behalf of the Hospital to be paid into the bank, and all payments to be made by cheque, signed by the Chairman, and one other member of the Committee of Management, and countersigned by the Secretary.

28.—He shall cause all deeds, evidences, and writings relating to the Hospital to be deposited at the Hospital, in a chest provided for that purpose, the keys whereof shall be kept by himself and the Chairman of the Committee of Management.

29.—He shall insure from fire the building, furniture, &c., to such an amount and in such office, as the Committee of Management may direct.

30.—He shall annually cause a full statement of accounts of the Hospital to be made up to the 31st of December in each year, which, after having been duly examined and signed by the Auditors, shall be presented by him to the Chairman, and shall afterwards be printed and circulated with the annual report.

Medical Officers.

31.—The Medical Officers shall be appointed by the Committee of Management.

32.—No Medical Officer shall be considered eligible who is not a Fellow, Member, or Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians or Surgeons of London, Edinburgh, or Dublin, or who does not hold a degree in medicine of a recognised British University, such qualification having been obtained after due examination; and no medical man shall be a Medical Officer of the Institution who only resides during certain seasons of the year.

33.—The three senior officers shall attend every week-day in rotation, and shall take charge of the patients admitted on their respective days, such patients being under their charge during their residence in the Hospital. The number of acting Medical Officers for the present to consist of four, to be from time to time increased as the exigencies of the Institution may require. No Medical Officer shall consult in reference to the Hospital patients with any medical gentleman who is not a member of the Medical Staff of the Hospital; and no medical gentleman who is not a member of the Hospital Staff shall be permitted to prescribe for any of the Hospital patients, or assist at any operation upon any Hospital patient, unless on an emergency, when the assistance of a member of the Medical Staff cannot be obtained. And no capital operation shall be performed upon any Hospital patient without a summons being sent to every member of the Medical Staff, to afford the opportunity of being present, unless the immediate emergency of the case renders such notice impossible. The members of the acting Medical Staff shall receive the accident cases in rotation.

34.—The last elected Medical Officer shall take the sole charge of the out-patients.

35.—Any Medical Officer, after officiating for twelve years, may, upon his resignation of his office, and subject to the sanction of the Committee of Management, become a Consulting Physician or Surgeon.

36.—Consulting Physicians and Surgeons may be summoned to attend consultations, operations, and inspections.

37.—No medical man shall be eligible as a candidate for a vacancy in the Medical Staff, who, in addition to his professional qualification, follows the occupation of a chemist and druggist.

Chaplain.

38.—A clergyman of the Church of England shall be appointed by the Committee of Management as Chaplain, on such terms as they may determine.

39.—He shall cause prayers to be read every morning and night.

40.—He shall visit the wards as often as he may see occasion, and such patients in particular as may request his attendance.

41.—He shall have the charge and superintendence of the books and tracts which may be supplied for the use of the patients.

42.—He shall cause a journal to be kept in which shall be recorded the times when prayer has been read.

[NOTE.]—Other ministers of religion are at liberty to visit such patients as are confined by sickness to their rooms and may desire their attendance.

Duties of Steward.

43.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. He shall devote his whole time and attention to the duties of the Hospital. He shall, under the direction of the House Committee, have general supervision of the grounds, and such portion of the Hospital as may not be in charge of the Lady Superintendent of Nurses, or the Lady Housekeeper. He shall take care that regularity, cleanliness, and economy be observed in every section of his department. He shall not absent himself from the Hospital except by the authority of the House Committee. He shall hire such servants as are required for the grounds, and as may be sanctioned by the House Committee, subject to a month's notice on either side.

44.—He shall take care of all furniture, household goods, and stores in his department, and keep a correct inventory for production when required by the Committee of Management or House Committee.

45.—He shall have charge of all the keys of the Hospital, including those of the basement storey, and shall see that all the outer doors are locked, and shall keep the keys of them from five in the evening till eight in the morning from Michaelmas to Lady Day; and from eight in the evening till six in the morning from Lady Day to Michaelmas. He shall cause every key to be numbered progressively by an engraved figure, and the doors to which such keys belong to be marked with corresponding numbers, and shall keep a book with similar numbers shewing to what doors the keys belong.

46.—He shall purchase such provisions and stores as the Committee of Management shall direct, and shall see that their quality be good. He shall weigh or measure the whole as they are received, and enter them in a receiving-book with the exact particulars of their weight or measure. He shall not permit anything belonging to the Charity to be sold or disposed of without the knowledge of the Committee of Management.

47.—He shall preside during the meals of the male patients, and shall take care that grace be said at the commencement and conclusion of every meal, and, that order is preserved during meals.

48.—He shall take care that all servants under his authority do their duty and in case of improper behaviour, shall have full power to discharge them, stating the particulars to the next meeting of the House Committee. He shall not employ any patient without first obtaining leave from the Medical Officer under whose charge the patient has been placed.

49.—He shall take care that daily prayers be read from a form of prayers approved by the Chaplain.

50.—None of the friends of patients, or visitors, shall be allowed to eat, or be entertained in any other way, at the cost of the Institution, nor to remain in the Hospital after the hour of locking doors for the night.

Duties of Lady Housekeeper.

51.—She shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. She shall devote the whole of her time to the duties of the Hospital, and shall see that the domestic affairs of the Institution are conducted with the greatest possible attention to regularity, cleanliness, and economy. She shall not absent herself from the Hospital except by the authority of the House Committee. She shall have charge of the laundry, and hire such servants as are required for kitchen and laundry work, subject to a month's notice on either side.

52.—She shall take care of all household goods, culinary and domestic utensils, and furniture, in her department, and keep a correct inventory for production when required by the House Committee.

53.—She shall have charge of the provisions, and shall deliver only such a quantity at a time as shall enable her to know that it is consumed in the Hospital. She shall not permit anything belonging to the Charity to be sold or disposed of without the knowledge of the Committee of Management. She shall superintend the Cook in preparing the food; and shall take care that the meals are served at the regular hours, and that no food is wasted. She shall cause the meals of the patients to be ready at the following hours, and see that these hours are punctually kept, viz.:—breakfast, eight; dinner, twelve; tea, five; supper, eight. She shall preside during the meals of the patients, and shall take care that grace be said at the commencement and conclusion of every meal, and that order is preserved during meals.

54.—She shall see that all servants under her authority do their duty, and, in case of improper behaviour, shall have full power to discharge them, stating the particulars to the next meeting of the House Committee.

Duties of Lady Superintendent of Nurses.

55.—She shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side, and shall devote her whole time to the duties of the Hospital.

56.—She shall have entire management of the Nursing department, and engage all nurses, subject to a month's notice on either side, and be responsible to the House Committee of the Hospital, from whom alone she is to be directed as to the number and the wages of the nurses and the probationer nurses, and be under the direction of the Medical Officers as to the details of the duties of this department. She shall hire and control all ward servants, bath attendants, and such other servants as may be directed by the House Committee, subject to a month's notice on either side. She shall be responsible for the good and orderly management of the wards of the Hospital, and of the Hospital Baths, and shall see that all the patients are treated with kindness and civility by the nurses, bath attendants, and ward servants. She shall have charge of all linen, bedding, towels, &c., and keep a correct inventory of the same for production when required by the House Committee; and shall cause every article to be marked with the words "Devonshire Hospital," and to be numbered consecutively according to the several classes.

57.—She shall ascertain morning and evening that all the patients are present and that they have had their medicine given to them by the nurses, and report to the House Surgeon if the medicines have not been regularly taken. She shall convey the orders of the Medical Officers respecting extra diet to the Steward or Housekeeper on a diet sheet provided for this purpose; and shall visit the wards, and see that those patients who are unable to take their meals in the convalescent rooms have the diet prescribed for them, and that it is properly and comfortably served, and shall take care that neither liquors nor provisions

are brought to the patients by their friends. She shall enquire into the conduct of the patients, and shall report any improper behaviour to the House Committee in a book provided for the purpose.

58.—She shall take care that all such patients as are able, and who may not plead difference of religious opinion, attend daily prayers, and also Divine Service in the Hospital, or at St. John's Church, or some other place of worship on Sundays.

Duties of Secretary.

59.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. He shall attend all meetings of the Trustees and Committee of Management, and all Committees appointed by them; receive the recommendations of the patients to be admitted; and shall give to the patients who return thanks a note of their discharge to their recommenders. He shall read the minutes of the last meetings of the Trustees and Committee of Management, and the reports of the House Committee; report any new subscriptions, or subscriptions withdrawn, donations, or legacies; fill up the weekly reports for the newspapers; draw the minutes of the proceedings; read them over; and procure their signature by the Chairman.

60.—He shall examine all bills presented for payment, and also examine the petty cash accounts of the Lady Superintendent of Nurses, and of the Lady Housekeeper—draw the cheques for their payment; and, after they have been signed, enter them in the cash book; and shall keep all vouchers for payments made, with the name, date, and amount endorsed on each.

61.—He shall collect the annual and other subscriptions, under the direction of the Committee of Management, and give security to be approved of by them, if required.

62.—He shall keep an account of all the expenses under their proper heads, add up the payments at the end of every month, and produce the amount to the Committee of Management at the first ordinary meeting afterwards, with statements of the average cost per patient for provisions, and of the average cost per head of the whole establishment. He shall, as soon as possible after the 31st December, make up and lay before the Committee of Management the annual accounts of receipts and expenditure, with statements of the average cost per patient, and also per head of the whole establishment, for the year, for provisions and every other expense.

63.—He shall make up the cash book once a month, from the Treasurer's pass book, post the various items to their proper accounts in the ledger, state the balance due from the Treasurer, enter the subscriptions paid in the alphabetical subscription book, and, every year, lay before the Committee of Management, a list of the subscriptions more than twelve months in arrear.

64.—He shall examine the servants' wage accounts, quarterly, stating the amount due to each individual, when cheques for the total amount shall be given to the Lady Superintendent of Nurses and the Lady Housekeeper, to pay them.

65.—He shall write all letters belonging to his department, and keep copies of them—make copies of orders and resolutions of meetings; when necessary, prepare and insert all advertisements. He shall, as soon as possible, after the 31st December, make out an abstract of the receipts and expenditure for the year, including a list of the collections, donations, subscriptions, legacies, and fines received, for insertion in the annual report, and attend the meeting of Auditors, for the purpose of passing the accounts, and attend to all other matters of a casual nature which pertain to his office, and shall attend at the Hospital during office hours, from 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and on Saturdays, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Duties of House Surgeon.

66.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management. He shall be a qualified and registered medical man. He shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of the Hospital. He shall receive all the patients, and prepare a statement of their cases in Case Books provided by the Hospital for every honorary Medical Officer, and also a tabulated statement of all the cases in a book as a record of the work of the Hospital. He shall treat all cases on emergency in the absence of the honorary Medical Officers. He shall have charge of, and be responsible for, the surgical instruments, microscope, and chemical and galvanic apparatus. He shall not interfere in the general management of the Hospital except by order of the honorary Medical Staff, or, for medical or surgical reasons, which orders or reasons must be stated in writing by him to the Housekeeper, such statements to be submitted to the House Committee at their usual meetings. He shall not visit the female's wards, nor examine the female patients, except in the presence of the Lady Superintendent, or one of the female nurses, except in cases of great emergency. On no account shall he converse about any patient, excepting with the Medical Officer in charge of the patient, or the colleague left in charge during his absence. No opinion shall be given to the friends of any patient excepting that of the Medical Officer in charge of the case. He shall be required to enter into an engagement that he will not, after resigning his appointment, practice, or assist in the practice of medicine or surgery in Buxton, or within a radius of two miles from the Hospital. The appointment shall be held subject to three months' notice on either side.

Duties of House Apothecary.

67.—He shall be appointed by the Committee of Management, subject to three months' notice on either side. He shall be a qualified and registered medical man. He shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of the Hospital. He shall scrupulously attend to the orders, and promptly make up the prescriptions of the Medical Officers, and shall be generally responsible for the accuracy and regularity with which the medicines ordered are provided for the patients. He shall have the charge of, and be responsible for, the Dispensary and its contents. Unless under an emergency, he shall order all drugs, &c., from wholesale druggists, through and with the sanction of the House Committee. When not engaged in the duties of his department, he shall be expected to co-operate with the House Surgeon in the medical duties of the Hospital. He shall be generally subject to the rules and regulations applicable to the House Surgeon. He shall be required to enter into an engagement that he will not, after resigning his appointment, practice, or assist in the practice, of medicine or surgery in Buxton, or within a radius of two miles from the Hospital.

Auditors.

68.—The Auditors, not being members of the Committee of Management, shall examine the Annual Statement of the Treasurer's Accounts, previous to its being presented to the annual meeting of the Committee of Management, and for this purpose all books and vouchers relating to the accounts shall be open to them, and on their being satisfied as to the correctness of the accounts, the signature of each Auditor shall be appended to the said statement. The honorary fee of £2 10s. only, to be paid to each Auditor

Extracts from the Rules and Regulations for Patients.

- 1.—An In-Patient will be entitled to Board, Lodgings, Baths, and Medicines, for three weeks; after that time, a charge of 14s. per week will be made for so long a time as the Patient may remain in the Hospital with the sanction of the Medical Attendant.

An Out-Patient will be entitled to Medical Advice, Medicines and Baths for three weeks; but the Medical Officers will attend these Patients only at the Hospital at the appointed days and hours.

No Patient shall be allowed to remain on the Books of the Institution longer than six weeks at one time without special permission signed by at least two-thirds of the Medical Staff of the Hospital; and any Patient who has been on the books six weeks in any consecutive six months, shall not be re-admitted within six months from the date of discharge without such permission.

- 2.—All Applicants for admission, either as In or Out-Patients, will be required to produce a recommendation, signed by a subscriber, and a certificate from the officiating minister, churchwarden, or some other parochial officer, or respectable inhabitant of the place from which they come, that they are fit objects of charity, and unable to pay for themselves.

N.B.—Subscribers are earnestly requested to pay particular attention to this rule, as it is much feared many have been admitted who were not fit objects for any charity.

- 3.—The Medical Staff are authorised to refuse admittance to, or discharge, any Patients they consider unfit objects of the Charity; such refusal, or dismissal, to be signed by at least two of their number.

- 4.—Every In-Patient will be required to bring a proper change of clean body linen, and will have to pay for his, or her, own washing out of the Hospital; and to deposit one shilling upon receiving the key of the clothes box appropriated to his or her use; this deposit will be returned to the Patient upon giving up the key. Out-Patients will have to provide their own towels for bathing. All Patients must be provided with money for their travelling expenses when leaving the Hospital.

All the Patients will be required to observe strictly the Rules laid down for their guidance; any infringement of the rules will render the Patient liable to immediate dismissal.

- 5.—Cases of Accident will be admitted to the Hospital on the recommendation of a Subscriber, or on payment of 14s. per week for board and lodging, and a guarantee given in either case for payment of any extra charges that may be required.

- 6.—Application for the admission of In-Patients to be made to the Secretary, who will intimate, by return of post, the earliest date upon which the Patient can be received. Patients are not on any account to come until they receive notice that there is room for them, as no allowance of any kind will be given to those who cannot be taken in. Application for admission to contain the name and age of the Patient.

- 7.—In-Patients are admitted into the Hospital on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., and during their residence in the Hospital are under the immediate medical supervision of the House Surgeon.

Out-Patients will be attended by one of the Medical Staff every Wednesday and Saturday, at 3 p.m.

General Rules and Regulations for Subscribers.

- 1.—A Life Subscription of Twenty Guineas shall entitle a Subscriber to recommend one In and two Out-Patients annually.

An Annual Subscription of One Guinea shall entitle a Subscriber to recommend one In or four Out-Patients; but no annual Subscriber shall send a Patient until he has been a Subscriber for at least three months; nor until his Subscription for the current year is paid.

All Subscriptions shall be considered as due in advance on the 1st of January in each year.

Subscriptions not paid until after June 30th in each year, shall be considered to be in default, and shall not entitle to the recommendation of a Patient unless by an extra payment of Nineteen Shillings. The Annual subscription if paid before June 30th is One Guinea, as heretofore; and if paid afterwards, Forty Shillings. This does not apply to new Subscribers.

Recommendations are available only during the year for which they are issued.

Forms of recommendation will be sent by the Secretary on application from the Subscribers.

2.—Persons, not being Subscribers, may recommend an In-Patient on payment of 40s., subject to the same rules as Patients recommended by Subscribers.

Subscribers of One Guinea per annum are allowed to send, in addition to the Patient eligible from the Subscription, three Out-Patients per annum, by paying Seven Shillings with each.

Any Clergyman or Minister kindly preaching a Sermon or Sermons, on any one day, in aid of the Funds of the Hospital, and contributing therefrom not less than £3, shall be entitled to one in or four Out-Patients' recommendations.

No money shall be received as a Subscription which can in any way be regarded as the proceeds of any public collection, or offertory, in any place of worship; but all such sums shall be received as Donations, with the privileges defined in this rule.

3.—Visitors to the Hospital are particularly requested not to interfere between the Patients and Medical staff under whom they are placed.

4.—No Patient can be admitted without producing a medical certificate specifying the nature of the disease, and certifying that the Patient has not been exposed to the influence of Infectious or Contagious Disease during the four weeks previous to his or her admission.

5.—Persons suffering from any incurable or infectious disorder—women more than six months advanced in pregnancy—persons in the last stage of consumption—or afflicted with itch, ulcers, fits, or insanity—or infested with vermin—cannot be admitted as In-Patients; or, if inadvertently admitted, cannot be allowed to remain.

Donations and Subscriptions to be made payable to the Sheffield and Rotherham Banking Company, Buxton, Treasurers of the Hospital.

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Dr.

Devonshire Hospital, Buxton. Estate Account, 1878.

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Buxton Bath Charity General Fund, 1853	596	0	0						
" Building Fund, 1853-60:—									
Buxton Bath Charity	1000	0	0						
Special Subscriptions	1796	9	6						
Bazaar Receipts	817	1	5						
Collections, Lectures, &c.	238	5	9						
Bank Interest on Building Account	134	3	0						
To Donations for Extensions to 1876	139	12	0						
" Ditto 1877	91	4	0						
" His Grace the Duke of Devonshire towards Re-building Baths, 1875-6	230	16	0						
" Legacies	1500	0	0						
" Life Subscriptions to 1876	6517	2	1						
" Ditto 1877	3581	0	0						
" Lapsed Life Subscriptions	178	10	0						
" Donations to Stock	1181	10	0						
" Amount brought from Revenue to 1876	115	0	0						
" Ditto 1877	7520	17	5						
" 1878	425136	15	2						
To Life Subscriptions	210	0	0						
" Donations for Extensions	127	6	0						
" Amount brought from Revenue	274	19	5						
" Balance, deficiency	38	9	9						
By Baths, re-building in 1853									
" Hospital Building Account:—									
Preliminary Expenses	614	9	4						
Buildings to 1876	4373	14	0						
Ditto 1877	38	13	2						
Heating Apparatus	4412	7	2						
Furniture to 1876	622	3	9						
Ditto 1877	1552	12	3						
Grounds	1618	16	1						
New Roads and Alterations	324	10	8						
Consulting Rooms and Dispensary	523	10	0						
Surgical Instruments and Apparatus	176	8	0						
By Baths, re-building 1875-6	55	18	5						
" Ditto 1877	2772	9	5						
By Proposed Extensions:—									
Deposit of 10 per cent on Purchase of Buildings and Land in 1877	445	12	8						
By Investments:—									
3 per cent Consols, 1877	7018	6	6						
Sold out, 1878	4731	4	5						
Expenses of Sale, 1878	2287	2	1						
New 3 per cent Consols	2031	13	10						
Power of Attorney, 1877	7153	9	4						
Midland Railway Debenture Stock	6614	17	2						
By His Grace the Duke of Devonshire for Buildings and Land for proposed Extension of Hospital	100	0	0						
Law Charges for Conveyancing	8746	11	0						
By Furniture									
" Baths Extension—His Grace the Duke of Devon- shire for Land	£21408	16	6						
Law Charges for Conveyancing	4500	0	0						
Re-building Account, 1877	34	19	6						
By Furniture									
" Baths Extension—His Grace the Duke of Devon- shire for Land	4534	19	6						
Law Charges for Conveyancing	23	11	4						
Re-building Account, 1877	96	0	0						
By Furniture	9	3	0						
Law Charges for Conveyancing	15	0	0						
Re-building Account, 1877	120	3	0						
Examined and found correct, Jan. 21st, 1879, A. SCHOFIELD, } S. TAYLOR, } Auditors.	£26087	10	4						
Examined and found correct, Jan. 21st, 1879, A. SCHOFIELD, } S. TAYLOR, } Auditors.	£20087	10	4						

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Dr.

Devonshire Hospital, Buxton.

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1878.

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	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Accounts owing to Tradesmen	68	10	4	By Estate Account, deficiency	38	9	9
" Annual Subscriptions received in advance	53	11	0	" Provisions in stock	50	7	6
				" Medicines in stock	170	5	9
				" Amount due to the Hospital for sundries	23	4	0
				" Amount deposited in Bank for Preliminary Expenses on the Extension Account	100	0	0
				" Cash in hand, Sheffield and Rotherham Bank	309	0	9
				" Ditto Secretary's Account	3	15	4
				" Ditto Housekeeper's Account	15	15	0
				" Ditto Nursing Account	11	2	3
	£722	1	4		£722	1	4

Wilmot Relief Fund.—1862-3.

To Balance in hand, February 15th, 1866.....	£	s.	d.	By Borough of Liverpool, Loan	£	s.	d.
	256	0	0		256	0	0

Statement of Account for the year ending December 31st, 1878.

To Balance of last year's account	£	s.	d.	By Devonshire Hospital for 16 patients admitted.....	£	s.	d.
" Interest, January, 1878	20	10	3	" Balance in hand, December 31st, 1878	32	0	0
" Interest, July, 1878	5	13	9		0	11	2
" Bankers' Interest on account	5	13	2				
	0	14	0				
	£32	11	2		£32	11	2

Samaritan Fund, 1878.

To Balance in hand, January 1st	£	s.	d.	By Donations to Destitute Patients on leaving the Hospital	£	s.	d.
" Frederick Cooper, Esq.	65	0	9	" Balance in hand	0	12	8
" Mrs. Garner	10	0	0		76	6	1
" Bankers' Interest	0	5	0				
	1	13	0				
	£76	18	9		£76	18	9

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Palace Hotel	140	15	3	No. 2, Lake Villas.....	2	2	0
St. Ann's Hotel	41	2	6	Hamilton Villa	2	1	6
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Altrincham	Launde	Balwisch	Barrow-in-Fur-
Algalkirk	Ashton-on-Clun	Bamford	ness
Ambergate	Ashton - under -	Barkby	Borrow-on-Soar
Ambleside	Lyne	Barkston	Barton-on-Hum-
Annesley	Ashton-on-Mersey	Barlborough	ber

Barton - under -	Cornloke	1	Green Booth	1	Knottingley	1
Needwood	Corby	1	Greenfield	1	Knowsley	1
Baslow	Coventry	5	Grimsthorpe	1	Knutsford	3
Bassett	Cowes	1	Grimsby	1	Lancaster	1
Battye Ford	Crewe	7	Guilfield	1	Laughton	2
Belmont	Crisk	2	Halifax	9	Lawton	2
Belper	Crofton	1	Hampstead	1	Leamington	3
Beswick	Cromford	7	Handley	2	Leabrook	1
Bircham	Crook	1	Handsworth	1	Leeds	23
Birkenhead	Darley Dale	3	Hanbury	1	Leek	6
Bickerton	Darlington	1	Hanley	9	Lees	2
Birmingham	Darwen	4	Harleton	1	Leicester	4
Birstall	Davenham	1	Harpurhey	1	Leigh	2
Blackburn	Davenport	1	Harpur Hill	2	Levenshulme	1
Blackpool	Daybrook	1	Harrogate	1	Lichfield	6
Blithfield	Derby	44	Mawstone	1	Lincoln	7
Bollington	Dewsbury	3	Hasland	2	Lindley	4
Bolton	Disley	1	Haslingden	2	Linton	3
Bonsall	Doncaster	7	Haslington	1	Little Drayton	1
Boston	Douglas	1	Hathersage	2	Little Hulton	2
Bournan	Dove Holes	1	Hayfield	2	Little Horton	1
Bootle	Dover	1	Hazle Grove	3	Liverpool	38
Bowdon	Dronfield	2	Headingley	1	Llanfair	2
Bradford	Droylsden	3	Heanor	1	Lloddon	1
Bradley Green	Duddington	1	Heaton Mersey	2	London	32
Bradwell	Duffield	1	Heaton Norris	1	Longnor	1
Brampton	Dukinfield	3	Hebden Bridge	3	Longton	5
Brenchley	Dunchurch	1	Heckmondwike	1	Long Eaton	1
Bridgenorth	Durham	4	Heeley	2	Long Oak	1
Brierton	Dymoch	1	Hendon	1	Longwood	2
Brindle	Earlsheaton	4	Heptonstall	1	Loughborough	3
Brinnington	Earl Sterndale	2	Hepworth	1	Ludbro'	1
Broadheath	East Acton	1	Hereford	1	Lutterworth	1
Broseley	Eastwood	4	Heywood	2	Luton	1
Buckden	Eccles	2	Hodnet	1	Lymm	3
Burnley	Eccleshall	5	Hollingworth	1	Lynn	1
Bucknall	Edgbaston	1	Hollinwood	3	Macclesfield	21
Burslem	Edgeley	4	Holmfirth	1	Madeley	1
Burton-on-Trent	Egremont	1	Holme Chapel	1	Maidstone	1
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Butley	Elford	1	Horton	1	Salford	133
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Canterbury	Evesham	5	Hough	1	Mansfield	8
Carnarvon	Eynesbury	2	Hoyland	1	Mansfield Wood-	
Carsington	Farnham	1	Hucknall-Torkard	1	house	3
Castle Donnington	Farnley	1	Huddersfield	10	March	1
Castleton	Farnsfield	1	Hull	3	Market Drayton	4
Cawthorne	Farnworth	2	Hunslet	4	Market Harbro'	1
Chapel-en-le-	Fenton	1	Hyde	2	Market Rasen	1
Frith	Flagg	1	Hyson Green	1	Marple	2
Chapeltown	Flash	1	Idridgehay	1	Masbro'	3
Cheadle	Flamborough	1	Ifton Heath	1	Mereclough	1
Cheddleton	Flockton	1	Ilkeston	2	Mexbro'	1
Chester	Fordham	1	Ingleton	1	Mickleover	1
Chesterfield	Forebridge	1	Ireton Wood	1	Milton	1
Chesterton	Foregate	1	Ironbridge	1	Mirfield	2
Chowbent	Forest Middleton	1	Kelbrook	1	Middlestown	1
Chirk	Foulbridge	1	Kelsall	1	Middleton	1
Chorley	Foxdenton	1	Kendal	1	Middlewich	1
Church Ashton	Fulsham	1	Kendleworth	1	Miles Platting	1
Church Stretton	Gainsborough	1	Kenilworth	1	Mobberley	2
Claycross	Glasgow	1	Keighley	3	Mold	1
Clayton	Glossop	7	Kettering	8	Monkton	1
Clipston	Godley	1	Kibworth	1	Montgomery	1
Clitheroe	Gorton	3	Kids Grove	3	Morley	1
Cleckheaton	Grantham	5	King's Chapel	1	Mossley	4
Clowne	Grange-over-		Kingston	1	Mostyn	1
Cobridge	Sands	1	Kirkby	4	Nantwich	3
Colne	Grassendale	1	Kirkdale	2	Nelson	1
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Norbury.....1	Retford.....1	Stamford.....2	Waterloo.....1
Northampton.....1	Ridgware.....2	Stanley.....2	Wednesbury.....1
Northenden.....1	Ripley.....4	Stathern.....1	Welling.....1
Northwich.....5	Rochdale.....24	Staveley.....3	Wellington.....2
Norton.....1	Rock Ferry.....1	Stockport.....8	Wellington.....1
Norwich.....1	Rollleston.....1	Stoke-on-Trent.....5	Welshpool.....4
Nottingham.....44	Rotherham.....9	Stone.....1	Welton-Brough.....1
Oaken.....1	Ruddington.....2	Stoneycroft.....1	Wem.....2
Oakeslindley.....1	Rugby.....8	Stradbroke.....1	West Ashby.....1
Oakhams.....2	Rugeley.....3	Sunderland.....1	West Bromwich.....2
Oldbury.....1	Runcorn.....2	Sutton.....1	West Retford.....1
Old Coats.....1	Rushden.....1	Sutton Coldfield.....4	Weymouth.....1
Oldham.....32	Rusholme.....2	Sutton-in-Ashfield.....1	Whaley Bridge.....4
Old Whittington.....1	Saddleworth.....1	Swanwick.....1	Wilkesley.....1
Openshaw.....1	Sale.....1	Swinton.....5	Wilmslow.....2
Osmaston.....1	Salisbury.....1	Taddington.....1	Wilncote.....1
Ossett.....2	Sandal.....1	Tamworth.....2	Wilton.....1
Oswestry.....2	Sandal Magna.....1	Tarporley.....1	Windermere.....5
Over Winsfield.....1	Sandbach.....6	Thirsk.....1	Wingfield.....1
Outgates.....1	Sark.....1	Thongsbridge.....1	Winthorpe.....1
Peak Forest.....3	Seabridge.....1	Thornby.....1	Wirksworth.....2
Peterborough.....2	Sheffield.....98	Tidswell.....1	Withington.....2
Pickering.....1	Shireoaks.....1	Tipton.....1	Wolverhampton.....3
Pilkington.....1	Shrewsbury.....5	Todmorden.....5	Wommerley.....1
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Bailiff	1	Lampman	1
Bakers	3	Laceworkers	10
Barber	1	Laundresses.....	11
Bill Poster	1	Leathercase makers.....	2
Bleacher	1	Letter carriers	2
Boatmen	3	Letter sorter	1
Boilermakers	3	Lodginghouse keepers.....	3
Bookkeepers and Clerks.....	26	Macintosh makers	2
Brassfounders.....	2	Militiaman	1
Brewers	1	Malsters	2
Bricklayers	10	Mariners	2
Brickmakers	4	Machinists	26
Butlers	2	Millers	5
Cabdrivers	6	Moulders	11
Cabinet makers	8	Night watchmen	5
Cards	10	Nurses	20
Carpet weavers	2	Overlookers	8
Carters	19	Parish Clerk	1
Children under 14 years of age	7	Painters	16
Cloggers.....	4	Paperhanger	1
Clothworkers	2	Patternmakers	2
Coachbuilders.....	4	Pauper	1
Coachmen	6	Pilot	1
Colliers and Miners	72	Platelaye.....	1
Commercial Travellers	2	Plumbers and Glaziers	12
Compositors	2	Policemen	5
Cooks	10	Porters	12
Coopers	2	Potters	10
Cotton operatives (male)	44	Printers	4
" " (female)	49	Publicans	5
Cutlers	14	Ropemakers.....	2
Domestic duties (chiefly married women)	403	Saddlers	2
Drapers	3	Salt boilers	2
Dispenser	1	Sawyers	8
Draymen	2	Schoolmasters	3
Dressmakers	23	Scripture readers	2
Dyers	5	Sculptor	1
Engine Drivers and Stokers.....	15	Seamstresses	24
Engineers	3	Servants (male)	18
Farmers.....	8	" (female)	15
Filesmiths	2	Shepherds.....	3
Fish sellers	2	Shoemakers	14
Fitters	6	Shopkeepers	9
Forgemen	4	Silk Weavers (male).....	7
Framework knitters	4	" (female)	15
Fustian cutters	2	Slaters	3
Gamekeepers	2	Smiths	20
Gardeners.....	30	Soap boilers	3
Glass workers	3	Stonemasons	17
Governesses and Schoolmistresses ..	6	Stone getters	8
Greengrocers	2	Tailors	12
Grinder	1	Tanner	1
Grocer	1	Tinplate workers	2
Grooms and Hostlers	16	Upholsterers	2
Hatboxmakers	3	Warpers	2
Hatters	3	Warehousemen	10
Hawkers	1	Wheelwrights	2
Herbalist	6	Window-blind maker	1
Hosiery	2	Weavers	22
Joiners and Carpenters	38	Wire drawers	2
		Yarn Spinner	1

THE METEOROLOGICAL REPORT FOR 1878,

FROM THE OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT THE

DEVONSHIRE HOSPITAL, BUXTON.

There are several meteorological phenomena on which there is great reason for congratulation; among the foremost of these is the steadiness exhibited by the barometer, which maintained a good average height throughout the year; a greater height was reached than in the previous year, and the minimum was also higher, which left a somewhat smaller average range.

There is an increase in the average temperature of about 1° , and although the maximum temperature showed an increase of only 1° , the minimum gave a difference of 17.8 , below that of 1877; it will be observed that the absolute range for the year is much greater, and proves that a high average has been maintained by the maxima. The mean diurnal range was very little above that of the previous year. One of the highest degrees of radiation was attained that has occurred during the last eight years, and also one of the lowest minima ($0.$); four degrees below this was reached only on one occasion during the above-mentioned period. The number of frosty nights shows a considerable decrease.

The average temperature of the dew point and the degree of humidity were less.

The rainfall shows a considerable diminution on the amount of the previous year, being upwards of 11 inches below the total fall of 1877, and 43 days less on which any rain, etc., fell. The mean amount for the last 14 years is 55.412 inches, or 4.068 inches below the mean for 1877.

The directions of the wind seem to have maintained their respective positions. There was less force at 9 a.m.

The average amount of cloud seems to have been less than that of the past year.

The Barometer.—The mean height of the barometrical readings for the last nine years was 29.601 inches; the mean height of the readings for 1878, when reduced to the sea level, and corrected for temperature to 32° F., was 29.850 inches, or above that of last year by $.061$ of an inch. The barometer recorded its maximum height 29.624 inches (unreduced) on March 16th, being $.047$ of an inch below that of 1877; and its minimum 28.037 inches (unreduced) on the 26th October, above the minimum of last year by $.228$ of an inch. The range between the maximum and minimum was 1.587 inches, or $.375$ of an inch less than that of the previous year; the mean average range for the year 1878 was 1.047 inches, or $.061$ of an inch below that of 1877.

The Temperature in the Shade.—The average mean temperature of the air for the last nine years was 45.1 ; the mean temperature of the air for 1878 was 45.3 , or 0.2 more than that of last year. The maximum degree of temperature in the shade was 80.0 on the 26th of June, or 1° more than that of the previous year; the minimum 2.5 was registered on the 24th December, being a decrease of 17.8 on the amount of the former year. The total annual range is 77.5 , or 19.7 more than that of 1877; the mean monthly range is 34.9 , or 3.1 more than that of the previous year. The mean diurnal range is 11.3 shows an increase of 1° on that of 1877. The greatest range of temperature that occurred on one day was 30.6 , on March 24th; and the least 1.3 on the 28th of March and 16th of April.

Radiation.—The maximum degree of solar radiation was $133^{\circ}0$ on the 20th of July, which was $8^{\circ}0$ more than that of the previous year; the minimum degree of the terrestrial radiator was $0^{\circ}5$ on the 24th December, below that of the previous year by $9^{\circ}5$. The total annual range between the maximum and minimum radiators was $133^{\circ}5$, showing an increase of $18^{\circ}5$. The mean average monthly range of radiation for the year was $87^{\circ}7$; the greatest range of radiation occurring in one day was $93^{\circ}6$ on the 28th April; and the least $2^{\circ}4$ on the 5th January. There were 131 nights on which the temperature was at 32° or below, which shows a decrease of 23 nights on the amount in the previous year.

The Hygrometrical Condition of the Atmosphere.—The average mean temperature of the dew point for 1878 was $41^{\circ}3\cdot4$ more than the mean of 1877; the mean degree of humidity ($\cdot838$) was below that of 1877 by $\cdot01$ of a degree, that is, assuming 1 $\cdot000$ as a standard point when the atmosphere is thoroughly saturated with moisture. The average mean amount of elastic force of vapour was $\cdot273$ inches, or $\cdot009$ more than that of 1877; the mean weight of vapour in a cubic foot of air was 3 $\cdot07$ grains, or $\cdot06$ grains more than that of the previous year; the mean amount of additional vapour required to saturate a cubic foot of air was 0 $\cdot62$ grains, or $\cdot02$ grains more than the quantity required in 1877.

The Rainfall.—The average mean amount of rainfall at Buxton for the last fourteen years was 55 $\cdot412$ inches. The amount collected at Buxton for 1878 was 54 $\cdot359$ inches, or 11 $\cdot482$ inches less than in 1877. The maximum fall of rain during 24 hours was 1 $\cdot360$ inches on the 13th of January. Rain, snow, etc., fell on 198 days during 1878, being 43 days less than in 1877. The total rainfall on Axe Edge was 47 $\cdot690$ inches, showing a decrease of 3 $\cdot410$ inches on the amount of 1877. The average fall for the Buxton district was 51 $\cdot254$ inches.

Wind.—The average of the mean directions of the wind may be proportionately represented by the following numbers, viz.:—W. 11, N. 8, S. 5, and E. 2. The mean estimated force was 1 $\cdot8$, or $\cdot2$ less than that of the past year. The mean average number of miles traversed by the wind daily was 192 $\cdot2$.

Cloud.—The mean estimated amount of cloud was 7 $\cdot1$, or $\cdot7$ below the mean of 1877. March, April, June, July, and December were the least cloudy months of the year.

Ozone.—The mean monthly average amount of ozone was 22 $\cdot2$ in the mornings, and 13 $\cdot5$ in the evenings; in the month of October the greatest amount was registered.

Strong winds occurred on January 6th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 21st; February 20th, 21st, 26th, and 28th; March 1st, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 18th, 30th, and 31st; April 1st, 2nd, 4th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 14th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 27th, and 29th; May 8th, 11th, 17th, 18th, and 19th; June 1st, 9th, and 10th; July 5th and 10th; August 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 16th, 17th, 22nd, and 23rd; September 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th; October 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 18th, and 21st; November 14th and 27th; and December 6th, 30th, and 31st.

Hail fell on January 6th, April 23rd, May 21st, and October 11th and 28th.

Thunderstorms occurred on August 7th, 24th, and 30th, September 30th, and October 28th and 30th. Thunder was heard, but lightning not seen on August 4th, 5th, and 7th, and November 10th. Lightning was seen, but no thunder heard on August 27th, 28th, and 29th. Lunar halos occurred on October 13th and December 10th. Snow fell on nine days. Fog prevailed on eighteen days. Cuckoo heard on May 1st. Limes and other trees were in leaf on the 8th. The leaves on the limes were turning yellow, and commenced falling about September 16th. The leaves on most trees had nearly all fallen by the 7th of October. Swallows departed on the 10th.

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METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, MONTHLY SUMMARIES & MEANS FOR 1878.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly Summary.
BAROMETER:—													
Mean height at 32°, and reduced to Sea-level	30.143	30.267	30.046	29.852	29.752	29.639	30.047	29.750	29.761	29.307	29.825	29.751	29.850 mean.
Highest Reading (unreduced)	29.541	29.575	29.624	29.201	29.153	29.243	29.481	29.360	29.289	29.303	29.397	29.263	29.624 mean.
Date	10 & 11	22	16	27	30	26	18	1	11	2	19	4	March 6.
Lowest Reading (unreduced)	28.379	28.711	28.287	28.005	28.257	28.429	28.699	28.327	28.467	28.037	28.233	28.169	28.037 mean.
Date	25	28	31	1	24	12	25	14	23	26	16	18	Oct. 26.
Range.....	1.162	.864	1.337	1.136	.896	.814	7.82	1.033	.822	1.266	1.164	1.094	{ 1.047 mean, 1.589 absolute range.
THERMOMETERS IN THE SHADE:—													
Mean Temperature of the air	37.9	38.9	37.0	43.0	48.3	53.2	58.0	61.3	52.6	46.9	35.1	32.1	45.3 mean.
Highest Temperature	51.8	55.0	57.1	60.1	65.0	69.0	79.9	69.5	69.0	67.8	47.0	48.4	80.0 mean.
Date	21	17	24	14	2	26	21	2	4	5	1	31	June 26.
Lowest Temperature	18.0	23.6	26.0	28.4	35.0	36.0	40.4	42.0	32.7	27.0	22.6	21	25.5 mean.
Date	30	9	23	1	21 & 30	2	13	17	24	2 & 29	20	24	Dec. 24th.
Range of Temperature (monthly)	33.8	31.4	31.1	31.7	30.0	44.0	39.5	27.5	36.3	40.0	24.5	45.9	{ 31.9 mean, 77.5 ab- solute range.
Ditto (daily)	8.0	8.2	7.2	14.5	14.5	16.0	14.2	13.4	13.7	12.0	9.5	5.5	11.3 mean.
Greatest Range of Temperature in one day	23.3	22.0	30.6	29.4	26.6	27.1	29.5	26.8	27.6	25.5	19.8	28.4	30.6 mean.
Date	30	8	21	28	5	7 & 26	13	26	24	2	20	24	March 24.
Least Range of Temperature in one day	2.6	2.1	1.3	1.3	7.1	6.9	5.4	5.6	4.6	4.2	2.8	4.4	1.3 mean.
Date	13	23	28	16	9	12	11	8	18	1	12	31	Mar. 23 to Apr. 16.
RADIATION:—													
Mean of Observations of Solar Radiator	60.1	61.8	51.3	98.4	104.8	110.1	104.0	108.8	98.2	78.6	69.2	60.5	83.9 mean.
Ditto Terrestrial do.	32.0	31.1	30.1	32.6	37.3	43.8	46.2	45.4	41.0	36.0	27.0	21.5	35.3 mean.
Highest degrees of Solar Radiation	85.8	103.5	107.5	119.5	120.5	126.8	133.0	128.0	113.5	110.0	97.0	88.0	133.0 mean.
Date	24	18	19	28	6	28	20	2	2	14 & 17	1	18	July 20.
Lowest degrees of Terrestrial Radiation	14.9	16.4	18.1	22.1	31.2	32.2	35.0	36.4	29.9	22.2	21.3	0	0
Date	31	14	24	7	21	14	13	19 & 26	24	29	21	21	Dec. 24. [Inter range.
Range of Radiation (monthly)	70.9	87.1	89.4	97.4	89.3	94.6	97.7	91.6	83.6	87.8	75.7	88.0	87.7 mean 133.0 abso-
Greatest Range of Radiation in one day	69.3	70.0	80.0	93.6	83.8	83.0	86.5	77.1	79.4	73.4	72.7	70.5	93.6 mean.
Date	31	18	20	28	5	20	21	4	4	14	1	24	April 28.
Least Range of Radiation in one day	2.4	9.0	12.0	16.5	9.1	17.9	23.9	27.1	21.7	13.3	9.9	14.0	2.4 mean.
Date	5	23	7	30	8	13	24	23	27	5	24	31	Jan. 5.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, &c. (continued.)

HYGROMETRIC CONDITION OF THE ATMOSPHERE:—												
Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Yearly Summary.
MEAN TEMPERATURE OF DEW POINT (DEGREES).—												
34.6	35.3	35.5	40.8	45.2	49.6	53.1	52.8	48.1	44.3	31.2	26.0	41.3 mean.
" DEGREES OF HUMIDITY (SAT. 1000).—												
9.9	88.9	89.0	82.7	79.1	75.7	78.2	82.8	80.0	91.6	84.0	82.4	83.8 mean.
" ELASTIC FORCE OF VAPOUR (INCHES).—												
2.00	2.06	2.08	2.55	3.02	3.56	4.03	4.00	3.36	2.92	1.75	1.41	2.73 mean.
" AMOUNT OF VAPOUR IN A CUBIC FOOT OF AIR (GRS.).—												
2.38	2.3	2.44	2.59	3.43	3.95	4.48	4.47	3.82	3.32	2.0	1.64	3.07 mean.
" " REQUIRED TO SATURATE DO. " —												
.21	.36	.34	.63	.87	1.21	1.30	.91	.40	.36	.2	.21	.62 mean.
" RAINFALL:—												
At Buxton (8 inch gauge) inches.....												
8.04	2.50	3.30	2.35	6.04	4.15	1.755	6.708	5.410	4.725	2.660	51.353 inches.	
Greatest fall in 24 hours												
1.360	5.30	8.20	5.00	5.22	1.150	1.120	1.145	1.235	1.910	1.080	1.360 inches.	
" Date.....												
13	28	1	20	7	4	24	13	17	10	15	29	Jan. 13.
Number of days on which rain, &c., fell												
24	15	15	13	24	14	23	23	17	20	14	8	198
At Poole's Cavern												
5.610	1.700	3.000	2.430	6.720	4.360	1.700	6.240	5.910	6.450	3.350	2.400	49.870 inches.
On Axe Edge (8 inch gauge)												
6.180	2.130	3.800	3.720	5.950	4.050	1.700	5.430	4.350	4.350	4.800	1.230	47.690 inches.
" WIND:—												
Prevailing directions												
W.N.	W.N.	N.W.	S.E.W.N	W.S.	W.S.	N.W.	E.W.S.	W.N.	W.S.	N.	N.W.	W. 11, N. S. 5, E. 2.
62.40	47.85	78.30	80.50	65.64	50.31	53.05	6.83	5.900	6.440	4.190	4.440	70.258 mean.
Number of miles travelled by wind (monthly).....												
Average	201.2	170.8	208.3	211.7	167.7	171.1	205.8	176.6	208.0	139.6	133.5	192.2 mean.
Mean estimated force " (0-12)												
1.8	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.3	1.6	2.7	2.5	2.3	1.4	2.2	1.8 mean.
" CLOUD:—												
Mean amount (estimated) (0-10)												
8.4	7.4	6.8	6.1	8.0	6.6	6.7	7.7	7.4	7.0	7.0	6.5	7.1 mean.
" OZONE:—												
Amount at 9 a.m.												
18	5	20	...	38	7	6	76	41	50	6	297	1.2 m'n daily.
" " 9 p.m.												
10	1	7	23	23	9	1	57	17	23	2	13	103

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